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Staff Report

County of Yolo Consistency Findings

San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors

On February 25, 2010 the Delta Protection Commission (Commission) approved the Land Use Resource Management Plan for the Primary Zone (Management Plan). The Delta Protection Act (Johnson 1992, reformed 2009) (Act) states that within 180 days of the adoption of the Management Plan, all local governments must submit to the Commission any proposed amendments which will cause their General Plans to be consistent with the criteria in Section 29763.5 of the California Public Resources Code with respect to lands within the Primary Zone.

Solano County Board of Supervisors

The Commission is required to review, and as appropriate, approve by a majority vote of the Commission membership, any proposed General Plan amendments of a local government, as to lands located within the Primary Zone. The Act allows the Commission to approve such amendments only after making all of the following written findings regarding the General Plan and any development approved or proposed that is consistent with the Management Plan:

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- a. *Consistent with the Land Use Resource Management Plan.*
- b. *Will not result in wetland or riparian loss.*
- c. *Will not result in the degradation of water quality.*
- d. *Will not result in increased nonpoint source pollution.*
- e. *Will not result in the degradation or reduction of Pacific Flyway habitat.*
- f. *Will not result in reduced public access, provided the access does not infringe on private property rights.*
- g. *Will not expose the public to increased flood hazard.*
- h. *Will not adversely impact agricultural lands or increase the potential for vandalism, trespass, or the creation of public or private nuisance on public or private lands.*
- i. *Will not result in the degradation or impairment of levee integrity.*
- j. *Will not adversely impact navigation*
- k. *Will not result in any increased requirements of restrictions upon agricultural practices in the Primary Zone.*

Cities of San Joaquin County

Cities of Contra Costa and Solano Counties

Cities of Sacramento and Yolo Counties

Central Delta Reclamation Districts

North Delta Reclamation Districts

South Delta Reclamation Districts

Business, Transportation and Housing

Department of Food and Agriculture

Natural Resources Agency

State Lands Commission

Yolo County Submittal

Staff's review of the proposed amendments finds that the amendments meet the criteria outlined in Public Resource Code section 29763.5 and therefore recommend approval of the proposed General Plan amendments.

Goals and Policies	Delta Protection Commission Land Use and Resource Management Plan	Yolo County 2001 Clarksburg Area Plan	
		Goals and Policies	Goals and Policies
	LAND USE		
Goal-1	Protect the unique character and qualities of the Primary Zone by preserving the cultural heritage, strong agricultural/economic base, unique recreational resources, and biological diversity of the Primary Zone. Direct new non-agriculturally oriented non-farm worker residential development within the existing unincorporated towns (Walnut Grove, Clarksburg, Courtland, Hood, Locke, and Ryde).	Goal LG3 Policy LP5	Protect the historic, cultural, environmental, and social values and the agricultural land presently found in the Clarksburg General Plan Area. Growth should be directed toward infill or replacement development within the Clarksburg town area.
Policy AP1	Preserve agricultural land and productive soil for agricultural land uses.	Goal AG1	Promote the preservation of agricultural land.
Policy AP2	Support agricultural, rural recreation, and open space land uses that sustain and create demand for commercial services within the Clarksburg town area.	Policy AP3	Development in the areas outside the Clarksburg town area shall be supportive of agriculture.
Policy AP4	Preservation of agricultural land outside the Clarksburg town area should continue to be the focus and direction of the community when considering changes in land use.	Policy AP5	Continued growth and development of the wine industry and alternative value-added crops shall be supported and encouraged within the Clarksburg General Plan area.

Policy HP1	To prevent "sprawl" onto agricultural lands adjacent to and outside the town area, development of urban density housing shall be limited to parcels within the Clarksburg town area. Residential development within the town area will be considered on the merits of each proposal and on a case-by-case basis.		
Policy HP2 Goal CG2 Measure CI5	<p>Infill housing and the rehabilitation and/or replacement of existing substandard housing area strongly encouraged.</p> <p>Protect and preserve designated scenic routes, highway and waterway corridors, and historic routes.</p> <p>Cooperative efforts should be made with federal and state agencies responsible for maintaining the banks and vegetation along the Sacramento River segment within the <i>Clarksburg General Plan</i> area.</p>		
Goal AG1 Policy AP1 Policy AP2	<p>Existing natural vegetation and wildlife should be protected and scenic vistas and riverfront areas along the Sacramento River and sloughs within the General Plan area should be preserved.</p> <p>Promote the preservation of agricultural land.</p> <p>Support agricultural, rural recreation, and open space land uses that sustain and create demand for commercial services within the Clarksburg town area.</p>		

			Development in the areas outside the Clarksburg town area shall be supportive of agriculture.
Policy P-1	The rich cultural heritage, strong agricultural/ economic base, unique recreational resources, and biological diversity of the Delta shall be preserved and recognized in public/private facilities, such as museums, recreational trails, community parks, farm stands, community centers, and water access facilities within the Delta.	Policy AP5	Continued growth and development of the wine industry and alternative value-added crops shall be supported and encouraged within the Clarksburg General Plan area.
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Measure CI5	Policy OP3	Cooperative efforts should be made with federal and state agencies responsible for maintaining the banks and vegetation along the Sacramento River segment within the <i>Clarksburg General Plan</i> area.	Existing natural vegetation and wildlife should be protected and scenic vistas and riverfront areas along the Sacramento River and sloughs within the General Plan area should be preserved.
Policy P-2	Goal LG3	Protect the historic, cultural, environmental, and social values and the agricultural land presently found in the Clarksburg General Plan Area.	Preserve agricultural land and productive soil for agricultural land uses.
	Goal AG1		Promote the preservation of agricultural land.
	Policy AP1		

Policy AP3	Goal CG2	Development in the areas outside the Clarksburg town area shall be supportive of agriculture.
Measure CI5	Policy OP3	Cooperative efforts should be made with federal and state agencies responsible for maintaining the banks and vegetation along the Sacramento River segment within the Clarksburg General Plan area.
Policy P-3	Policy LP6	New non-agriculturally oriented residential, recreational, commercial, habitat, restoration, or industrial development shall ensure the appropriate buffer areas are provided by those proposing new development to prevent conflicts between any proposed use and existing adjacent agricultural parcels. Buffers shall adequately protect integrity of land for existing and future agricultural uses and shall not include uses that conflict with agricultural operations on adjacent agricultural lands. Appropriate buffer setbacks shall be determined in consultation with local Agricultural Commissioners, and shall be based on applicable general plan policies and criteria included in Right-to-Farm Ordinances adopted by local jurisdictions.
Policy P-4	Policy AP4	Direct new non-agriculturally oriented non-farm worker residential development within the existing unincorporated towns (Walnut Grove, Clarksburg, Courtland, Hood, Locke, and Ryde).

Policy P-5	Local government general plans shall address criteria under which general plan amendments in the Primary Zone will be evaluated under Public Resources Code Section 29763.5. Proposed amendments to local government general plans for areas in the Primary Zone shall be evaluated in terms of consistency of the overall goals and policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan.	<p>Policy HP1</p> <p>To prevent "sprawl" onto agricultural lands adjacent to and outside the town area, development of urban density housing shall be limited to parcels within the Clarksburg town area. Residential development within the town area will be considered on the merits of each proposal and on a case-by-case basis.</p>
Policy P-6	<p>Local government general plans shall address criteria under which general plan amendments in the Primary Zone will be evaluated under Public Resources Code Section 29763.5. Proposed amendments to local government general plans for areas in the Primary Zone shall be evaluated in terms of consistency of the overall goals and policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan.</p> <p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p> <p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly reference either the Primary Zone or the Land Use Resource Management Plan and/or their goals and policies. As this matter is covered by state law, no parallel local plan policies or criteria are legally required.</p> <p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address the issue of subsidence. Such issues will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis in project-specific environmental documents prepared pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.</p>	<p>Policy HP2</p> <p>Infill housing and the rehabilitation and/or replacement of existing substandard housing area strongly encouraged.</p> <p>Growth should be directed toward infill or replacement development within the Clarksburg town area.</p>

			minimize subsidence and should assist in educating landowners and managers as to the value of utilizing these methods.
Policy P-7	New structures shall be set back from levees and areas that may be needed for future levee expansion consistent with local reclamation district regulations and, upon adoption, with the requirements to be identified in the California Department of Water Resources Central Valley Flood Control Plan.		<p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p> <p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address the issue of levee setbacks.</p>
Policy P-8	Local government policies regarding mitigation of adverse environmental impacts under the California Environmental Quality Act may allow mitigation beyond county boundaries, if acceptable to reviewing fish and wildlife agencies and with approval of the recipient jurisdiction, for example in approved mitigation banks or in the case of agricultural loss to mitigation. Mitigation in the Primary Zone for loss of agricultural lands in the Secondary Zone may be appropriate if the mitigation program supports continued farming in the Primary Zone. California Government Code Section 51256.3 (Assembly Bill 797) specifically allows an agricultural conservation	Measure L14	<p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p> <p>Any proposed change in land use designation and/or zoning from an agricultural designation/zone to a nonagricultural designation/zone shall comply with mitigation requirements of the adopted Yolo County Agricultural Land Conversion Ordinance.</p> <p>NOTE: Yolo County currently has a moratorium on most forms of "out-of-county" mitigation. This moratorium will expire in October 2012 and may be replaced by a use permit ordinance or similar form of regulation.</p>

	easement located within the Primary or Secondary Zone of the Delta to be related to Williamson Act contract rescissions in any other portion of the secondary zone without respect to County boundary limitations.	Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.
Policy P-9	The implementation of the policies contained in the resource management plan shall not be achieved through the exercise of the power of eminent domain unless requested by the landowner.	NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address the issue of eminent domain.
Policy P-10	Maintain sites for the storage of dredged material from channels within the Delta and discourage the conversion of existing sites to other uses, as appropriate. Soil that is suitable for levee rehabilitation and raising Delta lowlands should remain within the Delta.	Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan. NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address the issue of dredged material.

Policy P-11	<p>Local governments may develop programs to cluster residential units that allow property owners to engage in limited property development in order to ensure the efficient use and conservation of agricultural lands, support open space values, and protect sensitive environmental areas in the Primary Zone. Clustered development occurs when contiguous or non-contiguous parcels are developed to cluster lots for residential use. The purpose of clustered development is to provide a mechanism to preserve agricultural land and open space, to locate housing in areas that can readily be served by public services and utilities, and provide the agricultural community an alternative to transfer of development rights. Clustered development may only be used one time. Neither the clustered lots nor the remainder lots may be further subdivided. Residential development shall be consistent with local General Plan policies and zoning regulations and standards.</p>		<p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address the issue of clustered housing on agricultural land.</p> <p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p> <p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address the issue of transfers of development rights.</p> <p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p>
Policy P-12	<p>Local governments may develop transfer of development rights (TDR) programs that allow land owners to transfer the development right from one parcel of land to another. The purpose of these TDR programs would be to ensure the efficient use and conservation of agricultural lands, to support open space values, and to protect sensitive environmental areas within the Primary Zone. This purpose would be achieved by relocating development rights within the Primary Zone to more suitable areas such as adjacent to or within existing urban areas within or outside the Primary Zone, or to provide expanded opportunities for affordable farm worker housing. TDR programs shall ensure that the transferred development density does not exceed the development density identified for the zoning for the sending parcel, and that any farm worker housing is</p>		<p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address the issue of transfers of development rights.</p> <p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p>

Policy P-13	Support the implementation of appropriately located agricultural labor camps and housing that serve agricultural operations, which are constructed and sited consistent with Sections 17021.5 and 17021.6 of the California Health and Safety Code and consistent with the requirements of local building codes.	Policy HP3	Encourage agricultural/rural density housing consistent with the density limits set forth in the Yolo County Zoning Code for agriculturally designated and zoned land.
Policy P-14	The conversion of an agricultural parcel, parcels, and/or an agricultural island for water impoundment, including reservoirs, water conveyance or wetland development may not result in the seepage of water onto or under the adjacent parcel, parcels, and/or island. These conversions shall mitigate the risks and adverse effects associated with seepage, levee stability, subsidence, and levee erosion, and shall be consistent with the goals of this Plan.	Policy HP4	Promote continued provisions for on-farm housing for family members and farm employees within agricultural areas.
AGRICULTURE		Policy HP5	Residences that support agricultural production on lands surrounding Clarksburg are promoted.
Goal-1	To support long-term viability of agriculture and to discourage inappropriate development of agricultural lands.	Goal AG1	Preserve agricultural land and productive soil for agricultural land uses.
Goal-2	Support the continued capability for agricultural operations to diversify and remain flexible to meet changing market demands and crop production	Goal AG2 Policy AP3	Protect agricultural land uses from town/urban encroachment and interference. Development in the areas outside the Clarksburg town area shall be supportive of agriculture.

				technology. Promote the ability for agricultural operations to change the crops or commodities produced to whatever is most economically viable at the time. Support the use of new crop production technologies that keep Delta agricultural operations competitive and economically sustainable.	Policy AP5
Goal-3	The priority land use of areas in the Primary Zone shall be oriented toward agriculture and open space. If agriculture is no longer appropriate, land uses that protect other beneficial uses of Delta resources and that would not adversely affect agriculture on surrounding lands or the viability or cost of levee maintenance, may be permitted. If temporarily taken out of agricultural production due to lack of adequate water supply or water quality, the land shall remain reinstatable to agriculturally-oriented uses for the future.	Goal AG1 Goal AG2 Policy AP4	Preserve agricultural land and productive soil for agricultural land uses. Protect agricultural land uses from town/urban encroachment and interference. Preservation of agricultural land outside the Clarksburg town area should continue to be the focus and direction of the community when considering changes in land use.	Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.	Continued growth and development of the wine industry and alternative value-added crops shall be supported and encouraged within the Clarksburg General Plan area. NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address the issue of allowing farmers to change crops or adopt new technology to meet market demand.
Measure OP1	Protect and conserve agricultural and open space land.	Proposals to divide or develop agricultural land or other open space areas shall be reviewed for consistency with applicable Yolo County General			

		<i>Plan policies, zoning regulations, and the Clarksburg General Plan.</i>
		NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address the issue of allowing re-instating fallow farm land and/or allowing open space uses on former farm land.
		Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.
Policy P-1	Support and encourage agriculture in the Delta as a key element in the State's economy and in providing the food supply needed to sustain the increasing population of the State, the Nation, and the world.	Goal AG1 Preserve agricultural land and productive soil for agricultural land uses. Goal AG2 Protect agricultural land uses from town/urban encroachment and interference. Policy AP1 Promote the preservation of agricultural land.
Policy AP3	Development in the areas outside the Clarksburg town area shall be supportive of agriculture.	
Policy AP4	Preservation of agricultural land outside the Clarksburg town area should continue to be the focus and direction of the community when considering changes in land use.	
		NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address the

			importance of agriculture in providing food for the State and the world.
Policy P-2	Conversion of land to non-agriculturally-oriented uses should occur first where productivity and agricultural values are lowest.	Measure L13	<p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p> <p>Proposals to divide or develop land shall be reviewed for consistency with the <i>Yolo County General Plan</i>, Yolo County Zoning Code, and the <i>Clarksburg General Plan</i>.</p> <p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address the prioritization of agricultural land for non-agricultural uses.</p> <p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p>
Policy P-3	Promote recognition of the Delta as a place by educating individuals about the rich agricultural heritage, the unique recreational resources, the biological diversity, and the ongoing value of maintaining a healthy agricultural economy in the	Policy AP1	Promote the preservation of agricultural land.

		Delta.
Goal LG3	Protect the historic, cultural, environmental, and social values and the agricultural land presently found in the Clarksburg General Plan Area.	
Goal LG4	Preserve and promote a quality of life and community unique to the region.	
Policy LP1	Maintain the small town community atmosphere and agricultural characteristics of the Clarksburg General Plan Area.	
Policy OP5	Preservation and conservation of natural open space areas should be encouraged and promoted.	
Policy RP1	Recreational opportunities and facilities will be promoted within the <i>Clarksburg General Plan</i> area, including cooperative efforts for utilizing River Delta Unified School District's facilities.	
Policy RP2	Recreation and related land uses that support tourism will be promoted as an integral part of Clarksburg's commercial reuse and development.	
Policy AP3	Development in the areas outside the Clarksburg town area shall be supportive of agriculture.	
Policy AP5	Continued growth and development of the wine industry and alternative value-added crops shall be supported and encouraged within the <i>Clarksburg General Plan</i> area.	
Policy P-5	Local governments shall encourage implementation of the necessary plans and ordinances to: maximize agricultural parcel size; reduce subdivision of agricultural lands; protect agriculture and related activities; protect agricultural land from conversion to non-agriculturally-oriented uses. An optimum package of regulatory and incentive programs could	
Note	The Clarksburg General Plan includes a separate Agricultural Element.	
Policy LP6	Protection of agricultural operations and activities must be accompanied to the greatest extent reasonably possible prior to the division of land for the purpose of residential development.	

			include: (1) an urban limit line; (2) minimum parcel size consistent with local agricultural practices and needs; (3) strict subdivision regulations regarding subdivision of agricultural lands to ensure that subdivided lands will continue to contain agriculturally-oriented land uses; (4) require adequate buffers between agricultural and non-agricultural land uses particularly residential development outside but adjacent to the Primary Zone; (5) an agriculture element of the general plan; (6) a Right-to-Farm ordinance; and (7) a conservation easement program.
Policy P-6	Measure L14	Policy LP7 LP10	<p>Right-to-farm provisions should be required of new nonagricultural development when it is in close proximity to agricultural farmland and operations.</p> <p>The “Clarksburg Town Boundary” is shown on Figure 3 of the Clarksburg General Plan. The town boundary defines the Clarksburg town area, the limits of future growth, and urban land uses covered under the Clarksburg General Plan. The town boundary is also a clear distinction between the town area and adjoining agricultural areas.</p>
			<p>Any proposed change in land use designation and/or zoning from an agricultural designation/zone to a nonagricultural designation/zone shall comply with mitigation requirements of the adopted Yolo County Agricultural Land Conversion Ordinance.</p> <p>Any proposed change in land use designation and/or zoning from an agricultural designation/zone to a nonagricultural designation/zone shall comply with mitigation requirements of the adopted Yolo County Agricultural Land Conversion Ordinance.</p> <p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address environmental conservation easements or Delta-wide habitat management plan.</p> <p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: “Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission.” This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg General Plan.</p>

<p>Policy P-7</p> <p>Encourage management of agricultural lands which maximize wildlife habitat seasonally and year-round, through techniques such as fall and winter flooding, leaving crop residue, creation of mosaic of small grains and flooded areas, wildlife friendly farming, controlling predators, controlling poaching, controlling public access, and others.</p>	<p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address the management of farm land to maximize wildlife habitat.</p> <p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p>
<p>Policy P-8</p> <p>Encourage the protection of agricultural areas, recreational resources and sensitive biological habitats, and the reclamation of those areas from the destruction caused by inundation.</p>	<p>Goal AG1</p> <p>Preserve agricultural land and productive soil for agricultural land uses.</p> <p>Policy AP1</p> <p>Promote the preservation of agricultural land.</p>
<p>Policy AP2</p> <p>Support agricultural, rural recreation, and open space land uses that sustain and create demand for commercial services within the Clarksburg town area.</p>	<p>Policy AP3</p> <p>Development in the areas outside the Clarksburg town area shall be supportive of agriculture.</p>
<p>Policy AP5</p> <p>Continued growth and development of the wine industry and alternative value-added crops shall be supported and encouraged within the <i>Clarksburg General Plan</i> area.</p>	<p>Goal OG1</p> <p>Protect and conserve agricultural and open space land.</p>

			throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.
Policy P-9	Support agricultural production as a means of maintaining the agricultural economy of the Delta.	Policy RP2	Recreation and related land uses that support tourism will be promoted as an integral part of Clarksburg's commercial reuse and development.
NATURAL RESOURCES			
Goal-1	Preserve and protect the natural resources of the Delta. Promote protection of remnants of riparian and aquatic habitat. Encourage compatibility between agricultural practices and wildlife habitat.	Goal OG1 Policy OP3	Protect and conserve agricultural and open space land.
Policy OP4			Existing natural vegetation and wildlife should be protected and scenic vistas and riverfront areas along the Sacramento River and sloughs within the General Plan area should be preserved.
Policy OP5			Any development affecting natural vegetation and wildlife is expected to help conserve the affected areas and support the overall character of the community.
Measure OI1			Preservation and conservation of natural open space areas should be encouraged and promoted
Measure OI2			Natural open space areas shall be protected from the encroachment of new development.
Measure OI3			Proposals to divide or develop agricultural land or other open space areas shall be reviewed for consistency with applicable Yolo County General Plan policies, zoning regulations, and the Clarksburg General Plan.
			Continuing effort shall be applied by Yolo County toward the preservation and conservation of natural resource and open space areas.

Policy P-1	Preserve and protect the natural resources of the Delta. Promote protection of remnants of riparian and aquatic habitat. Encourage compatibility between agricultural practices, recreational uses, and wildlife habitat.	Goal CG2 Measure CI5	Protect and preserve designated scenic routes, highway and waterway corridors, and historic routes. Cooperative efforts should be made with federal and state agencies responsible for maintaining the banks and vegetation along the Sacramento River segment within the Clarksburg General Plan area.
Policy P-2	Encourage farmers to implement management practices to maximize habitat values for migratory birds and other wildlife. Appropriate incentives, such as: purchase of conservation easements from willing sellers or other actions, should be encouraged.	Policy OP3	<p>Existing natural vegetation and wildlife should be protected and scenic vistas and riverfront areas along the Sacramento River and sloughs within the General Plan area should be preserved.</p> <p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly reference wildlife habitat or easements.</p> <p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p> <p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly reference wildlife habitat.</p> <p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the</p>
Policy P-3	Lands managed primarily for wildlife habitat should be managed to maximize ecological values. Appropriate programs, such as "Coordinated Resource Management and Planning" (Public Resources Code Section 9408(c)) should ensure full participation by local government and property owner representatives.		

		implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.
Policy P-4	Support the non-native invasive species control measures being implemented by the California Department of Boating and Waterways, the California Emergency Management Agency, the California Department of Fish and Game, the California Resources Control Board, the Central Valley and San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Boards, and the Agricultural Commissioners for the five Delta Counties (Yolo, Solano, Sacramento, San Joaquin, and Contra Costa), which include controlling the arrival of new species into the Delta.	<p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly reference non-native species.</p> <p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p>
Policy P-5	Preserve and protect the viability of agricultural areas by including an adequate financial mechanism in any planned conversion of agricultural lands to wildlife habitat for conservation purposes. The financial mechanism shall specifically offset the loss of local government and special district revenues necessary to support public services and infrastructure.	<p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address the issue of funding the loss of local government revenues resulting from agricultural land conversion to habitat.</p> <p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p>
Policy P-6	Support the implementation of appropriate buffers, management plans and/or good neighbor policies (e.g., safe harbor agreements) that among other things, limit liability for incidental take associated with adjacent agricultural and recreational activities within lands converted to wildlife habitat to ensure the ongoing agricultural and recreational operations	<p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address the issue of buffers, safe harbor, and similar strategies to address the impacts of habitat on adjoining farm land and recreational facilities.</p>

	adjacent to the converted lands are not negatively affected.	Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.
Policy P-7	Incorporate, to the maximum extent feasible, suitable and appropriate wildlife protection, restoration and enhancement on publicly-owned land as part of a Delta-wide plan for habitat management.	Any development affecting natural vegetation and wildlife is expected to help conserve the affected areas and support the overall character of the community.
Policy OP5 Measure OI1	Preservation and conservation of natural open space areas should be encouraged and promoted. Natural open space areas shall be protected from the encroachment of new development.	Continuing effort shall be applied by Yolo County toward the preservation and conservation of natural resource and open space areas.
Policy P-8	Promote ecological, recreational and agricultural tourism in order to preserve the cultural values and economic vitality that reflect the history, natural heritage and human resources of the Delta including the establishment of National Heritage Area designations.	Recreation and related land uses that support tourism will be promoted as an integral part of Clarksburg's commercial reuse and development. NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address support for the National Heritage Area. Recently however, the County Board of Supervisors expressed unanimous support in concept for the establishment of a Delta NHA.)
	Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone,	

			ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission.” This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.
Policy P-9	Protect and restore ecosystems and adaptively manage them to minimize impacts from climate change and other threats and support their ability to adapt in the face of stress.	Policy OP4	Any development affecting natural vegetation and wildlife is expected to help conserve the affected areas and support the overall character of the community.
Measure O13	<p>Continuing effort shall be applied by Yolo County toward the preservation and conservation of natural resource and open space areas.</p> <p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly reference climate change.</p> <p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: “Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission.” This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p>	Policy OP5	Natural open space areas shall be protected from the encroachment of new development.

<p>Policy P-10</p> <p>Ensure that design, construction, and management of any flooding program to provide seasonal wildlife and aquatic habitat on agricultural lands, duck club lands, and additional seasonal and tidal wetlands, shall incorporate "best management practices" to minimize vectors including mosquito breeding opportunities, and shall be coordinated with the local vector control districts, (each of the four vector control districts in the Delta provides specific wetland/ mosquito management criteria to landowners within their district.)</p>	<p>RECREATION AND ACCESS</p> <p>Goal-1</p> <p>To promote continued recreational use of the land and waters of the Delta; to ensure that needed facilities that support such uses are constructed, maintained, and supervised; to protect landowners from unauthorized recreational uses on private lands; and to maximize public funds for recreation by promoting public-private partnerships and multiple use of Delta lands.</p> <p>Goal RG1</p> <p>Provide recreational opportunities for all residents within the <i>Clarksburg General Plan</i> area.</p> <p>Policy RP1</p> <p>Recreational opportunities and facilities will be promoted within the <i>Clarksburg General Plan</i> area, including cooperative efforts for utilizing River Delta Unified School District's facilities.</p> <p>Policy RP2</p> <p>Recreation and related land uses that support tourism will be promoted as an integral part of Clarksburg's commercial reuse and development.</p> <p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly reference the construction and maintenance of recreational facilities; trespassing on private land; funding for recreation; and/or multiple use of Delta lands.</p> <p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-</p>
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			making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission.” This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.
Policy P-1	Ensure appropriate planning, development and funding for expansion, ongoing maintenance and supervision of existing public recreation and access areas.	Goal RG1 Policy RP1	Provide recreational opportunities for all residents within the <i>Clarksburg General Plan</i> area. Recreational opportunities and facilities will be promoted within the <i>Clarksburg General Plan</i> area, including cooperative efforts for utilizing River Delta Unified School District's facilities.
Policy RP2	Recreation and related land uses that support tourism will be promoted as an integral part of Clarksburg's commercial reuse and development.		NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly reference the expansion and maintenance of recreation facilities. Goal LU4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: “Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission.” This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.
Policy P-2	Encourage expansion of existing privately-owned, water oriented recreation and access facilities that are consistent with local General Plans, zoning regulations and standards.	Goal RG1 Policy RP1	Provide recreational opportunities for all residents within the <i>Clarksburg General Plan</i> area. Recreational opportunities and facilities will be promoted within the <i>Clarksburg General Plan</i> area.

			including cooperative efforts for utilizing River Delta Unified School District's facilities.
Policy P-3	Assess the need for new regional public and private recreation and access facilities to meet increasing public need, and ensure that any new facilities are prioritized, developed, maintained and supervised consistent with local, state, and federal laws and regulations. Ensure that adequate public services are provided for all existing, new, and improved recreation and access facilities.	Policy RP2	<p>Recreation and related land uses that support tourism will be promoted as an integral part of Clarksburg's commercial reuse and development.</p> <p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address the need for regional recreation facility planning and development.</p>
Policy P-4	Encourage new regional recreational opportunities, such as Delta-wide trails, which take into consideration environmental, agricultural, infrastructure, and law enforcement needs, and private property boundaries. Also, encourage opportunities for water, hiking, and biking trails.		<p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p> <p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address the provision of water, hiking, and/or biking trails.</p> <p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p>
Policy P-5	Encourage provision of publicly funded amenities such as picnic tables and boat-in destinations in or adjacent to and complimentary to private facilities,		<p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-</p>

	particularly if the private facility will agree to supervise and manage such amenities, thus lowering the long-term cost to the public.	making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan guide the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.
Policy P-6	Support multiple uses of Delta agricultural lands, such as seasonal use for hunting and provision of wildlife habitat.	NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly reference the seasonal use of farm land for recreation and/or habitat.
Policy P-7	Support improved access for bank fishing along State highways, county roads, and other appropriate areas where safe and adequate parking, law enforcement, waste management and sanitation facilities, and emergency response can be provided and where proper rights-of-access have been acquired.	Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan. NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly reference fishing access.

Policy P-8	<p>Ensure, for the sake of the environment and water quality, the provision of appropriate restroom, pump-out and other sanitation and waste management facilities at new and existing recreation sites, including marinas; encourage the provision of amenities including but not limited to picnic tables and boat-in destinations.</p>	<p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address the provision of wastewater treatment facilities and other amenities at recreation sites.</p>
Policy P-9	<p>Encourage the development of funding and implementation strategies by appropriate governing bodies for the surrender and/or removal of water-borne debris and dilapidated, unseaworthy and abandoned vessels from waterways, to minimize navigational and environmental hazards.</p>	<p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address funding programs to remove waterway debris and abandoned vessels.</p> <p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p>
Policy P-10	<p>Promote and encourage Delta-wide communication, coordination, and collaboration on boating and waterway-related programs including but not limited to marine patrols, removal of debris and abandoned vessels, invasive species control and containment, clean and safe boating education and enforcement, maintenance of existing anchorage, mooring and berthing areas, and emergency response in the Delta.</p>	<p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly reference Delta-wide collaboration on boating and waterway programs.</p> <p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and</p>

Policy P-11	Recognizing existing laws, encourage establishment of Delta-wide law enforcement protocols on local public nuisance and safety issues, such as trespassing, littering, and theft.	Policy SP1	<p>Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p> <p>Public safety services, including, but not limited to, fire, law enforcement, and medical services, shall be promoted.</p> <p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly reference Delta-wide law enforcement planning or resources.</p>
Policy P-12	Support and encourage programs for waterways that provide opportunities for safe boating and recreation, including removal of floating and sunken debris and abandoned vessels from Delta waterways in collaboration with appropriate agencies.	Goal RG1	<p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p> <p>Provide recreational opportunities for all residents within the Clarksburg General Plan area.</p>
Policy RP2	<p>Recreational opportunities and facilities will be promoted within the Clarksburg General Plan area, including cooperative efforts for utilizing River Delta Unified School District's facilities.</p> <p>Recreation and related land uses that support tourism will be promoted as an integral part of Clarksburg's commercial reuse and development.</p> <p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly reference boating</p>	Policy RP1	

		programs, or debris and abandoned vessel removal.
Policy P-13	Support the development of a strategic plan, in consultation with all law enforcement agencies having jurisdiction in the Delta, to improve law enforcement and the use of available resources to ensure an adequate level of public safety. The strategic plan shall identify resources to implement the plan.	Policy SP1 Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.
WATER		
Goal-1	Protect and enhance long-term water quality in the Delta for agriculture, municipal, industrial, water-contact recreation, and fish and wildlife habitat uses, as well as other beneficial uses.	<p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly reference water resources.</p> <p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-</p>

		making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission.” This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan guide the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.
Policy P-1	State, federal, and local agencies shall be strongly encouraged to preserve and protect the water quality of the Delta both for in-stream purposes and for human use and consumption.	NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly reference water resources.
Policy P-2	Ensure that Delta water rights and water contracts are respected and protected, including area of origin water rights and riparian water rights.	Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: “Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission.” This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan. NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly reference water resources.

LEVEES	
Goal-1 Support the improvement, emergency repair, and long-term maintenance of Delta levees and channels.	Policy SP5 NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly reference the improvement or emergency repair of levees. Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.
Goal-2 Promote levee maintenance and rehabilitation to preserve the land areas and channel configurations in the Delta as consistent with the objectives of the Act.	Policy SP5 NOTE: Continued maintenance of all levees within the Clarksburg General Plan area should be supported and sought. Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.

Policy P-1	<p>Local governments shall carefully and prudently carry out their responsibilities to regulate new construction within flood hazard areas to protect public health, safety, and welfare. These responsibilities shall be carried out consistent with applicable regulations concerning the Delta, as well as the statutory language contained in the Delta Protection Act of 1992. Increased flood protection shall not result in residential designations or densities beyond those allowed under zoning and general plan designations in place on January 1, 1992, for lands in the Primary Zone.</p>	<p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly reference flooding, construction standards, or restricting residential densities to 1992 levels.</p>
Policy P-2	<p>Support programs for emergency levee repairs and encourage coordination between local, State, and federal governments. The programs may include but are not limited to: interagency agreements and coordination; definition of an emergency; designation of emergency funds; emergency contracting procedures; emergency permitting procedures; and other necessary elements.</p>	<p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p>
Policy P-3	<p>Support efforts to address levee encroachments that are detrimental to levee maintenance.</p>	<p>Policy SP5</p> <p>Continued maintenance of all levees within the Clarksburg General Plan area should be supported and sought.</p>

		<p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address the issue of detriments to levee maintenance.</p>
Policy P-4	Support funding assistance for existing unincorporated towns within the Delta to improve levees up to a 200-year flood protection level.	<p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p> <p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address the issue of funding levees or 200-year flood protection.</p> <p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p>
Policy P-5	Support stockpiling rock in the Delta for levee emergency response.	<p>Policy SP5</p> <p>Continued maintenance of all levees within the Clarksburg General Plan area should be supported and sought.</p> <p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address the issue of stockpiling rock for emergency levee repairs.</p> <p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone,</p>

		ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission.” This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guide the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.
Policy P-6	Support a multi-year funding commitment to maintain and restore both project and non-project levees in the Delta.	Policy SP5 Continued maintenance of all levees within the Clarksburg General Plan area should be supported and sought. NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address the issue of re-use of dredged material, or the LTMS.
Policy P-7	Encourage the beneficial reuse of dredged material, as appropriate, for levee maintenance and rehabilitation, and the maintenance of in-stream flows. Support and advocate for the Delta Long-Term Management Strategy (LTMS).	Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: “Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission.” This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.
Policy P-8	Seek funding for and support programs to make cost-effective levee investments in order to preserve the economy and character of the Delta.	Policy SP5 Continued maintenance of all levees within the Clarksburg General Plan area should be supported and sought. NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address the issue of cost-effective levee investments. Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: “Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection

			Commission.” This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.
Policy P-9	Support a minimum Delta-specific levee design standard as established by state and federal regulations.	Policy SP5	Continued maintenance of all levees within the Clarksburg General Plan area should be supported and sought.
Goal-1	<p>Ensure that the construction of new utility and infrastructure facilities is appropriate and the impacts of such new construction on the integrity of levees, wildlife, recreation, agriculture and Delta communities are avoided, minimized and mitigated.</p>	<p>NOTE: There are no goals, policies, or action items in the Clarksburg Area General Plan that address the issue of utility and infrastructure construction.</p> <p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: “Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission.” This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p>	<p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address the issue of minimum levee design standards.</p> <p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: “Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission.” This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p>

Policy P-1	<p>Impacts associated with construction of transmission lines and utilities can be mitigated by locating new construction in existing utility or transportation corridors, or along property lines, and by minimizing construction impacts. Before new transmission lines are constructed, the utility should determine if an existing line has available capacity. To minimize impacts on agricultural practices, utility lines shall follow edges of fields. Pipelines in utility corridors or existing rights-of-way shall be buried to avoid adverse impacts to terrestrial wildlife. Pipelines crossing agricultural areas shall be buried deep enough to avoid conflicts with normal agricultural or construction activities. Utilities shall be designed and constructed to minimize any detrimental effect on levee integrity or maintenance, agricultural uses and wildlife within the Delta. Utilities shall consult with communities early in the planning process for the purpose of creating an appropriate buffer from residences, schools, churches, public facilities and inhabited marinas.</p>	<p>NOTE: There are no Clarksburg Area General Plan policies or actions that directly address the issue of utility placement.</p>
Policy P-2	<p>Ensure that new houses built in the Delta agricultural areas but outside of the Delta's unincorporated towns continue to be served by independent portable water and wastewater treatment facilities and/or septic systems. Agricultural uses that require wastewater treatment shall provide adequate infrastructure improvements or pay to expand existing facilities, and not overburden the existing limited community resources. The appropriate governing body shall ensure that new or expanded construction of agriculturally-oriented wastewater disposal systems meet the appropriate standards/conditions and are not residentially growth inducing. Independent treatment facilities should be monitored to ensure no cumulative adverse impact to groundwater supplies.</p>	<p>NOTE: There are no goals, policies, or action items in the Clarksburg Area General Plan that address the wastewater treatment.</p> <p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p>

<p>Policy P-3</p> <p>Ensure that new municipal sewage treatment facilities (including storage ponds) that support development or business outside of the Delta Primary Zone are not located within the Delta Primary Zone. The Rio Vista project, as described in the adopted Final Environmental Impact Report for such project, and the Ironhouse Sanitary District use of Jersey Island for disposal of treated wastewater and bio-solids are exempt from this policy.</p>	<p>NOTE: There are no goals, policies, or action items in the Clarksburg Area General Plan that address the placement of new municipal sewage treatment facilities.</p> <p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p>
<p>Policy P-4</p> <p>Encourage recycling programs for metals, glass, paper, cardboard, and organic materials in order to minimize waste generation. Recycling facilities for these materials should be suitably located to serve Delta residents, visitors, and businesses. High groundwater tables and subsiding soil make the Delta an inappropriate location for solid waste disposal.</p>	<p>NOTE: There are no goals, policies, or action items in the Clarksburg Area General Plan that address recycling and/or solid waste disposal.</p> <p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p>
<p>Policy P-5</p> <p>Maintain roads within the Delta to serve the existing agricultural uses and supporting commercial uses, recreational users, and Delta residents. Promote the maintenance and enhancement of major thoroughfares already used as cross-Delta corridors.</p>	<p>Goal CG1</p> <p>Policy CP1</p> <p>Sustain efficient community circulation routes for all modes of transportation.</p> <p>Enhance circulation routes within the Clarksburg General Plan area for all modes of transportation.</p>
<p>Policy P-6</p> <p>Allow air transportation in the Delta to continue to serve Delta residents and agriculture-related businesses. Due to subsidence, transmission lines, high winds, fog, and high raptor and waterfowl use,</p>	<p>NOTE: There are no goals, policies, or action items in the Clarksburg Area General Plan that address new or expanded airports.</p>

	the Primary Zone is not an appropriate location for new or expanded general aviation airports.
Policy P-7	<p>Encourage the provision of infrastructure for new water, recreational, and scientific research facilities.</p> <p>Goal RG1</p> <p>Policy RP1</p> <p>Policy RP2</p> <p>NOTE: There are no goals, policies, or action items in the Clarksburg Area General Plan that address infrastructure for new water, recreation, and research facilities.</p> <p>Goal LU-4 of the Yolo County 2030 Countywide General Plan states: "Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission." This goal, as well as policies located throughout the 2030 General Plan, guides the implementation of the Clarksburg Area General Plan.</p>

Goals and Policies	Delta Protection Commission Resource Management Plan	Land Use and Policies	Goals and Policies	Yolo County 2030 General Plan
LAND USE				
Goal-1	Protect the unique character and qualities of the Primary Zone by preserving the cultural heritage, strong agricultural/economic base, unique recreational resources, and biological diversity of the Primary Zone.	Direct new non-agriculturally oriented non-farm worker residential development within the existing unincorporated towns (Walnut Grove, Clarksburg, Courtland, Hood, Locke, and Ryde).	Policy LU-3.1	Direct all of the County's residential growth to designated areas within the cities and within the growth boundaries of existing unincorporated communities, as depicted on the Land Use Diagram in Figure LU-1, with the exception of individual farm dwellings (houses allowed on agricultural land), other allowed units (e.g. second units, ancillary dwellings, houses allowed in mixed-use commercial areas, etc.) and housing allowed on existing residentially designated land.
			Policy LU-3.9	Prohibit the creation of a ring of rural residential development around existing growth boundaries.
			Policy LU-4.2	Continue active involvement with State and regional efforts to establish policy, regulation and management for the Delta, to promote the economic and social sustainability of the town of Clarksburg, the viability of the Agricultural District, the habitat needs of the Yolo Natural Heritage Program and the water resources needed for the success of each of these efforts.
			Policy CC-1.7	Reinforce the growth boundaries for each community through appropriate mechanisms including greenbelts, buffers, conservation easements and other community separators.
			Goal AG-6	Delta Agriculture. Enhance agriculture in the Clarksburg area to complement the broader values of the Delta region.

	Policy AG-6.1	Continue to promote agriculture as the primary land use in the portion of Yolo County that lies within the Primary Zone of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.
	Policy AG-6.2	Advance the economic and cultural vitality of heritage or legacy communities in the Delta, such as Clarksburg.
	Policy ED-1.13	Develop and expand agricultural businesses within Agricultural Districts, including industrial processing facilities, commercial sales and agricultural tourism, through the use of targeted regulatory streamlining, financial incentives and specialized marketing efforts.
	Policy CO-2.2	Focus conservation efforts on high priority conservation areas (core reserves) that consider and promote the protection and enhancement of species diversity and habitat values, and that contribute to sustainable landscapes connected to each other and to regional resources.
	Policy CO-2.3	Preserve and enhance those biological communities that contribute to the county's rich biodiversity including blue oak and mixed oak woodlands, native grassland prairies, wetlands, riparian areas, aquatic habitat, agricultural lands, heritage valley oak trees, remnant valley oak groves, and roadside tree rows.
	Policy CO-2.26	Coordinate with local watershed stewardship groups to identify opportunities for restoring or enhancing watershed, instream, and riparian biodiversity.
	Policy CO-9.14	Establish Clarksburg as a gateway entry for visitors to the Delta region seeking agricultural tourism, ecotourism, and recreational opportunities.

	Policy CO-9.17	Support the establishment of a Delta Conservancy to provide funding and work with federal, State and local governments, local Habitat Conservation Programs, nonprofit organizations, and landowners on improvements to Delta land use management.
	Policy CO-9.19	Recognize the special character of "heritage" or "legacy" communities in the Delta (such as Clarksburg) and promote their economic vitality.
	Action CO-A11	Provide recreational uses that are river or creek dependent in locations directly on Cache Creek, Putah Creek, and the Sacramento River. Examples include fishing, canoeing, boating, and nature observation. With the exception of boat launches and docks, more active uses, such as parking, restrooms, and picnic areas, shall be located in areas away from the river and sensitive riparian habitat.
Goal-2	Encourage a critical mass of farms, agriculturally-related businesses and supporting infrastructure to ensure the economic vitality of agriculture within the Delta.	<p>Policy LU-2.3</p> <p>Policy LU-2.4</p> <p>Policy LU-3.4</p>
		<p>Prohibit the division of land in an agricultural area if the division is for non-agricultural purposes and/or if the result of the division will be parcels that are infeasible for farming. Projects related to clustering and/or transfers of development rights are considered to be compatible with agriculture.</p> <p>Vigorously conserve, preserve, and enhance the productivity of the agricultural lands in areas outside of adopted community growth boundaries and outside of city SOIs.</p> <p>Locate and design services and infrastructure to only serve existing and planned land uses. Actions that will induce growth beyond planned levels are prohibited.</p>

	Policy LU-3.7	<p>Prohibit the designation of new urban development in places with one or more of the following characteristics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Areas without adequate emergency services and utility capacity and where there are no capital improvement plans to pay for and construct new facilities that can accommodate the proposed development. • Areas where there are significant hazards and where there are no plans to adequately mitigate the risk (e.g. floodplains, high fire hazard areas, unstable soils, known seismic faults, etc.). • Areas where there are significant natural resources (e.g. groundwater recharge, wildlife habitat, mineral or timber resources, scenic areas, etc.). • Areas not contiguous to existing urban development.
	Policy LU-3.8	<p>The intent of allowing residences in the agricultural areas is to provide dwellings for those directly involved in on-site farming activity, including farm employees, the landowners and their immediate families. All such dwellings shall be encouraged to locate on lands least suited for agricultural use and/or in "clustered" configurations to minimize the conversion of agricultural lands to any other uses.</p>
	Policy LU-3.9	<p>Prohibit the creation of a ring of rural residential development around existing growth boundaries.</p>
	Policy AG-1.1	<p>Protect and enhance the County's four key agricultural sectors. This includes: (1) retaining existing growers and processors of crops; (2) encouraging the growth of emerging crops and value-added processing; (3) supporting small and organic producers and their ability to serve visitors;</p>

		and (4) enhancing the transfer of new technologies into practical applications for seeds, crops, fuels, alternative energy, food processing, etc.
Policy AG-1.2	Maintain parcel sizes outside of the community growth boundaries large enough to sustain viable agriculture and discourage conversion to non-agricultural home sites.	
Policy AG-1.3	Prohibit the division of agricultural land for non-agricultural uses	
Policy AG-1.4	Prohibit land use activities that are not compatible within agriculturally designated areas.	
Policy AG-1.5	<p>Strongly discourage the conversion of agricultural land for other uses. No lands shall be considered for re-designation from Agricultural or Open Space to another land use designation unless all of the following findings can be made:</p> <p>A. There is a public need or net community benefit derived from the conversion of the land that outweighs the need to protect the land for long-term agricultural use.</p> <p>B. There are no feasible alternative locations for the proposed project that are either designated for non-agricultural land uses or are less productive agricultural lands.</p> <p>C. The use would not have a significant adverse effect on existing or potential agricultural activities on surrounding lands designated Agriculture.</p>	
Policy AG-1.10	Protect agricultural lands from urban encroachment by limiting the extension of urban service facilities and infrastructure, particularly sewers.	

	Policy AG-1.11	Maintain growth boundaries around existing communities and neighborhoods to encourage urban infill development and protect adjoining agricultural lands.	
	Policy AG-1.14	Preserve agricultural lands using a variety of programs, including the Williamson Act, Farmland Preservation Zones (implemented through the Williamson Act), conservation easements, an Agricultural Lands Conversion Ordinance and the Right-to-Farm Ordinance.	
	Policy AG-3.1	Establish an Agricultural District overlay designation to enhance and aggressively promote the distinctive agricultural and recreational character of unique regions within the County. Agricultural Districts shall be established in areas where agricultural business development and expansion (including industrial processing, commercial sales and agri-cultural tourism) will be encouraged through the use of targeted regulatory streamlining, financial incentives, specialized marketing efforts, and other programs as may be determined to be appropriate.	
	Policy AG-3.4	Recognize and protect agricultural infrastructure, such as farm-to-market routes, water diversion and conveyance structures, fertilizer and chemical sales, airfields, processing facilities, research and development and farm worker housing.	
	Policy AG-3.9	Support the development of an agricultural marketing and tourism program to coordinate private and public initiatives and to integrate them with County efforts to attract business.	

	Policy AG-5.6	Encourage institutions, such as schools, hospitals, colleges, government agencies, businesses and private food outlets such as grocery stores and restaurants, to provide foods produced locally and in the region.
	Policy AG-3.17	Collaborate with other agencies and organizations to provide training, technical assistance and capital for emerging agricultural businesses.
	Action AG-A20	Examine the possibility of creating agricultural programs similar to business improvement districts, with the ability to generate tax revenue, to fund agricultural business development and expansion. Also consider the use of special service districts (such as used for fire protection) for the same purpose.
	Action AG-A26	Establish a setback for new non-agricultural development to protect water delivery systems and similar agricultural infrastructure from impact.
	Policy ED-1.3	Encourage businesses that promote, provide services, and support farming, with an emphasis on value-added agriculture, agri-tourism, food processing and agricultural suppliers.
	Policy ED-1.13	Develop and expand agricultural businesses within Agricultural Districts, including industrial processing facilities, commercial sales and agricultural tourism, through the use of targeted regulatory streamlining, financial incentives and specialized marketing efforts.
	Policy ED-4.7	Support the development of visitor-serving private businesses that retain and complement the County's

			rural character, such as bed and breakfast facilities, wineries and cafes, particularly within established Agricultural Districts and downtown areas.
Policy P-1	The rich cultural heritage, strong agricultural/economic base, unique recreational resources, and biological diversity of the Delta shall be preserved and recognized in public/private facilities, such as museums, recreational trails, community parks, farm stands, community centers, and water access facilities within the Delta.	Policy LU-4.2	Continue active involvement with State and regional efforts to establish policy, regulation and management for the Delta, to promote the economic and social sustainability of the town of Clarksburg, the viability of the Agricultural District, the habitat needs of the Yolo Natural Heritage Program and the water resources needed for the success of each of these efforts.
		Policy AG-4.1	Promote educational programs aimed at informing the general public about agriculture and the value of “working landscapes”.
		Policy ED-4.19	Support programs that promote the history and culture of Yolo County.
		Policy CO-4.5	Increase knowledge of historic preservation through public education and outreach programs.
		Policy CO-4.9	Promote the use of historic structures as museums, educational facilities, or other visitor-serving uses.
		Policy CO-9.14	Establish Clarksburg as a gateway entry for visitors to the Delta region seeking agricultural tourism, ecotourism, and recreational opportunities.
		Action CO-A17	In order to strengthen an appreciation of natural resource values, local place, and identity, include educational programs, materials, and signs in resource parks that address water, geology, plants, animals, events, and people.

Policy P-2	<p>Local government general plans, as defined in Government Code Section 65300 et seq., and zoning codes shall continue to promote and facilitate agriculture and agriculturally-supporting commercial and industrial uses as the primary land uses in the Primary Zone; recreation and natural resources land uses shall be supported in appropriate locations and where conflicts with agricultural land uses or other beneficial uses can be minimized.</p>	Policy PF-3.2	<p>Design sustainable parks and recreational facilities that complement nearby land uses and serve all segments of the community.</p>
	Policy PF-3.5	<p>Include buffers, hedgerows, directed lighting, and other features to ensure the compatibility of recreational activities with surrounding land uses.</p>	
	Action PF-A18	<p>Integrate security measures to ensure public safety in the design of parks and recreational facilities.</p>	
	Policy AG-6.1	<p>Continue to promote agriculture as the primary land use in the portion of Yolo County that lies within the Primary Zone of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.</p>	
	Policy AG-6.3	<p>Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure compatibility of permitted land use activities with applicable agricultural policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission.</p>	
	Policy CO-1.13	<p>Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure compatibility of permitted land use activities with applicable, natural open space policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission.</p>	
	Policy CO-2.22	<p>Prohibit development within a minimum of 100 feet from the top of banks for all lakes, perennial ponds, rivers, creeks, sloughs, and perennial streams. A larger setback is preferred. The setback will allow for fire and flood protection, a natural riparian corridor (or wetland vegetation), a planned recreational trail where applicable, and vegetated landscape for storm water to pass through before it enters the water body. Recreational trails and other features</p>	

	Action CO-A11	Provide recreational uses that are river or creek dependent in locations directly on Cache Creek, Putah Creek, and the Sacramento River. Examples include fishing, canoeing, boating, and nature observation. With the exception of boat launches and docks, more active uses, such as parking, restrooms, and picnic areas, shall be located in areas away from the river and sensitive riparian habitat.	Support the use of effective mechanisms to protect farmers potentially impacted by adjoining habitat enhancement programs, such as “safe harbor” programs and providing buffers within the habitat area.	The intent of this policy is to protect existing farm operations from impacts related to the encroachment of urban uses. The expertise of the County Agricultural Commissioner shall be used in applying this policy. Urban development shall bear the primary burden of this policy. Ensure that development will not have a significant adverse effect on the economic viability or constrain the lawful practices of adjoining or nearby agricultural operations, except for land within the Sphere of Influence (SOI) around a city of within the growth boundary of an unincorporated community. New urban (non-agricultural) development should be setback a minimum of 300 feet from adjoining agricultural land where possible, but special circumstances can be considered by the decision-
	Policy P-3	New non-agriculturally oriented residential, commercial, habitat, restoration, or industrial development shall ensure the appropriate buffer areas are provided by those proposing new development to prevent conflicts between any proposed use and existing adjacent agricultural parcels. Buffers shall adequately protect integrity of land for existing and future agricultural uses and shall not include uses that conflict with agricultural operations on adjacent agricultural lands. Appropriate buffer setbacks shall be determined in consultation with local Agricultural Commissioners, and shall be based on applicable general plan policies and criteria included in Right-to-Farm Ordinances adopted by local jurisdictions.	Policy AG-2.9	Policy LU-2.1

			making body. Except as noted below where no buffer is required, in no case shall the buffer be reduced to less than 100 feet. The buffer area shall generally be designated Open Space (OS), but may also be designated Public and Quasi-Public (PQ) or Parks and Recreation (PR) based on applicable circumstances. Agricultural buffers are not required for planned urban growth elsewhere within a growth boundary because the agricultural-urban interface will be temporary until full build-out occurs.
Policy P-4	Direct new non-agriculturally oriented non-farm worker residential development within the existing unincorporated towns (Walnut Grove, Clarksburg, Courtland, Hood, Locke, and Ryde).	Policy LU-3.1	Direct all of the County's residential growth to designated areas within the cities and within the growth boundaries of existing unincorporated communities, as depicted on the Land Use Diagram in Figure LU-1, with the exception of individual farm dwellings (houses allowed on agricultural land), other allowed units (e.g. second units, ancillary dwellings, houses allowed in mixed-use commercial areas, etc.) and housing allowed on existing residentially designated land.
Policy P-5	Local government general plans shall address criteria under which general plan amendments in the Primary Zone will be evaluated under Public Resources Code Section 29763.5. Proposed amendments to local government general plans for areas in the Primary Zone shall be evaluated in terms of consistency of the	Policy LU-3.8 Policy CO-1.13	The intent of allowing residences in the agricultural areas is to provide dwellings for those directly involved in on-site farming activity, including farm employees, the landowners and their immediate families. All such dwellings shall be encouraged to locate on lands least suited for agricultural use and/or in "clustered" configurations to minimize the conversion of agricultural lands to any other uses. Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure compatibility of permitted land use activities with applicable, natural open space policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission.

	overall goals and policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan.		
Policy P-6	Subsidence control shall be a key factor in evaluating land use proposals. Encourage agricultural, land management, recreational, and wildlife management practices that minimize subsidence of peat soils. Local governments should utilize studies of agricultural and land management methods that minimize subsidence and should assist in educating landowners and managers as to the value of utilizing these methods.	Policy CO-5.1 Action HS-A3	Coordinate with water purveyors and water users to manage supplies to avoid long-term overdraft, water quality degradation, land subsidence and other potential problems. Continue to participate in the Yolo County Subsidence Network and implement its recommendations.
Policy P-7	New structures shall be set back from levees and areas that may be needed for future levee expansion consistent with local reclamation district regulations and, upon adoption, with the requirements to be identified in the California Department of Water Resources Central Valley Flood Control Plan.	Action HS-A14 Action HS-A15	<p>Require a minimum 50-foot setback for all permanent improvements from the toe of any flood control levee.</p> <p>Restrict proposed land uses within 500 feet of the toe of any flood control levee, including but not limited to the items listed below, unless site-specific engineering evidence demonstrates an alternative action that would not jeopardize public health or safety:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prohibit permanent unlined excavations; • Large underground spaces (such as basements, cellars, swimming pools, etc) must be engineered to withstand the uplift forces of shallow groundwater; • Prohibit below-grade septic leach systems; • Engineered specifications for buried utility conduits and wiring; • Prohibit new water wells; • Prohibit new gas or oil wells; • Engineered specifications for levee penetrations; and • Require landscape root barriers within 50 feet of the toe.

Policy P-8	<p>Local government policies regarding mitigation of adverse environmental impacts under the California Environmental Quality Act may allow mitigation beyond county boundaries, if acceptable to reviewing fish and wildlife agencies and with approval of the recipient jurisdiction, for example in approved mitigation banks or in the case of agricultural loss to mitigation. Mitigation in the Primary Zone for loss of agricultural lands in the Secondary Zone may be appropriate if the mitigation program supports continued farming in the Primary Zone. California Government Code Section 51256.3 (Assembly Bill 797) specifically allows an agricultural conservation easement located within the Primary or Secondary Zone of the Delta to be related to Williamson Act contract rescissions in any other portion of the secondary zone without respect to County boundary limitations.</p>	Action AG-A2 Policy CO-1.17	<p>Negotiate cooperative agreements with neighboring jurisdictions to allow their agricultural mitigation requirements to be satisfied in appropriate locations within Yolo County. Agreements shall consider compensation to Yolo County for lost tax revenues and economic opportunity costs.</p>
Policy P-9	<p>The implementation of the policies contained in the resource management plan shall not be achieved</p>	Policy CO-1.14	<p>Support the preservation of open space consistent with this General Plan, via acquisition of fee title or</p>

	through the exercise of the power of eminent domain unless requested by the landowner.	easement interest by land trusts, government agencies, and conservancies from willing landowners.
Policy P-10	Maintain sites for the storage of dredged material from channels within the Delta and discourage the conversion of existing sites to other uses, as appropriate. Soil that is suitable for levee rehabilitation and raising Delta lowlands should remain within the Delta.	Policy CI-8.1 Coordinate with the Port of West Sacramento to facilitate dredging of the Deep Water Ship Channel, including reuse of dredged material for levee maintenance and wildlife habitat enhancement.
Policy P-11	Local governments may develop programs to cluster residential units that allow property owners to engage in limited property development in order to ensure the efficient use and conservation of agricultural lands, support open space values, and protect sensitive environmental areas in the Primary Zone. Clustered development occurs when contiguous or non-contiguous parcels are developed to cluster lots for residential use. The purpose of clustered development is to provide a mechanism to preserve agricultural land and open space, to locate housing in areas that can readily be served by public services and utilities, and provide the agricultural community an alternative to transfer of development rights. Clustered development may only be used one time. Neither the clustered lots nor the remainder lots may be further subdivided. Residential development shall be consistent with local General Plan policies and zoning regulations and standards.	Policy LU-2.2 Allow additional agricultural commercial and agricultural industrial land uses in any designated agricultural area, where appropriate, depending on site characteristics and project specifics. Agricultural industrial development is anticipated as shown in Table LU-7 (Anticipated Agricultural Commercial and/or Agricultural Industrial Growth) and in Figure LU-2 (New Targeted Future Agricultural Commercial and Agricultural Industrial Sites). Manage agricultural parcels of less than 20 acres, including antiquated subdivisions where appropriate, to create compatibility with surrounding agricultural uses to the greatest extent possible, including: 1) discourage residential development; 2) encourage lot mergers to achieve larger parcel sizes; 3) encourage clustering of units either within parcels or near existing homes on adjoining parcels to preserve farmland and natural resources; 4) encourage transfers of development rights to areas where additional farm dwellings are desired (e.g. organic farms that are labor intensive); 5) encourage deed restrictions, site design and development themes that support the agricultural use of the land; and 6) aggressively limit the impact of residential development where it does occur

	Policy LU-2.3	Prohibit the division of land in an agricultural area if the division is for non-agricultural purposes and/or if the result of the division will be parcels that are infeasible for farming. Projects related to clustering and/or transfers of development rights are considered to be compatible with agriculture.
	Policy LU-3.8	The intent of allowing residences in the agricultural areas is to provide dwellings for those directly involved in on-site farming activity, including farm employees, the landowners and their immediate families. All such dwellings shall be encouraged to locate on lands least suited for agricultural use and/or in "clustered" configurations to minimize the conversion of agricultural lands to any other uses.
	Policy CC-4.30	Encourage clustering of allowed residential units to protect resources and/or improve efficiency of services.
	Policy AG-1.7	Locate farm dwellings in a manner that protects both on-site and offsite agricultural practices. All dwellings in agriculturally zoned areas shall be encouraged to be located on portions of the parcel less suitable for agricultural use and in "clustered" configurations.
	Action AG-A6	<p>Work with agricultural interests to develop farm dwelling site criteria. Proposed homes that comply with the criteria would be issued building permits, while those that are not consistent with the criteria would require prior approval of a use permit. Criteria would apply to both the primary and the ancillary home and may include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size and mass of the home(s). • Location of the homes(s) to avoid areas of excessive slope, higher quality agricultural soils,

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> native vegetation, flooding, lack of water availability, or other physical constraints Location of the home(s) within the property to avoid restricting the extent of pesticide/herbicide spray on adjoining farm operations. Approval of a stewardship plan demonstrating how the property would be farmed. Cluster homes in a location within the parcel with the least impact to agricultural operations. New farm dwellings may be clustered in proximity to existing homes on adjoining properties. Consideration of an agricultural conservation easement deed restriction or similar instrument on all or a portion of the remainder of the property outside of any home site(s). Recordation of a “rural oath” acknowledging the potential for nuisances to occur, such as dust, agricultural chemical applications, etc. Recordation of a deed notice acknowledging the County’s right-to-farm ordinance. 	
Policy P-12	<p>Local governments may develop transfer of development rights (TDR) programs that allow land owners to transfer the development right from one parcel of land to another. The purpose of these TDR programs would be to ensure the efficient use and conservation of agricultural lands, to support open space values, and to protect sensitive environmental areas within the Primary Zone. This purpose would be achieved by relocating development rights within the Primary Zone to more suitable areas such as adjacent to or within existing urban areas within or outside the Primary Zone, or to provide expanded opportunities for affordable farm worker housing. TDR programs shall ensure that the transferred development density does not exceed the development density identified for the zoning for the sending parcel, and that any farm</p>	Policy LU-2.2 Allow additional agricultural commercial and agricultural industrial land uses in any designated agricultural area, where appropriate, depending on site characteristics and project specifics. Agricultural and/or industrial development is anticipated as shown in Table LU-7 (Anticipated Agricultural Commercial and/or Agricultural Industrial Growth) and in Figure LU-2 (New Targeted Future Agricultural Commercial and Agricultural Industrial Sites). Manage agricultural parcels of less than 20 acres, including antiquated subdivisions where appropriate, to create compatibility with surrounding agricultural uses to the greatest extent possible, including: 1) discourage residential development; 2) encourage lot mergers to achieve larger parcel sizes; 3) encourage clustering

	worker housing is restricted and regulated for that purpose. The land upon which the development rights are transferred from would be restricted with a permanent conservation easement. Receiving areas must have the infrastructure capacity, public services, and utilities to absorb the new development.	of units either within parcels or near existing homes on adjoining parcels to preserve farmland and natural resources; 4) encourage transfers of development rights to areas where additional farm dwellings are desired (e.g. organic farms that are labor intensive); 5) encourage deed restrictions, site design and development themes that support the agricultural use of the land; and 6) aggressively limit the impact of residential development where it does occur.
Policy P-13	Support the implementation of appropriately located agricultural labor camps and housing that serve agricultural operations, which are constructed and sited consistent with Sections 17021.5 and 17021.6 of the California Health and Safety Code and consistent with the requirements of local building codes.	<p>Policy AG-3.5</p> <p>Policy HO-4.10</p>
		<p>Encourage the provision of farm worker housing by streamlining permit requirements, reducing fees and requiring inclusionary housing within established communities.</p> <p>Expand housing opportunities for farm workers.</p>
		<p>Policy HO-7.1</p>
		<p>Provide affordable housing and farm worker housing within the Clarksburg region, consistent with the Land Use and Resource Management Plan.</p>
		<p>Action AG-A14</p> <p>Work with farm interests and housing organizations to develop specific recommendations for expanding farm worker housing opportunities. Such recommendations may include providing pre-approved building and septic plans (consistent with State requirements), exempting Use Permit requirements for homes where there is an agreement to limit occupation to farm workers, reducing requirements for mobile homes and limiting property tax reassessment.</p>
		<p>Action HO-A22</p> <p>Formulate and provide development incentives for the provision of farm worker housing.</p>

	Action HO-A23	Expedite the permitting process for all farm worker housing projects.
	Action HO-A24	Defer development fees for housing projects that provide farm worker housing.
	Action HO-A25	Provide special technical assistance from County staff for developers of farm worker housing.
Policy P-14		
Policy P-14	The conversion of an agricultural parcel, parcels, and/or an agricultural island for water impoundment, including reservoirs, water conveyance or wetland development may not result in the seepage of water onto or under the adjacent parcel, parcels, and/or island. These conversions shall mitigate the risks and adverse effects associated with seepage, levee stability, subsidence, and levee erosion, and shall be consistent with the goals of this Plan.	Action CO-A78
AGRICULTURE		
Goal-1	To support long-term viability of agriculture and to discourage inappropriate development of agricultural lands.	Goal LU-4
		Delta Land Use and Resource Management. Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission.
		Goal AG-6
		Delta Agriculture. Enhance agriculture in the Clarksburg area to complement the broader values of the Delta region.
		Policy AG-6.1
		Continue to promote agriculture as the primary land use in the portion of Yolo County that lies within the Primary Zone of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.
		Policy AG-6.3
		Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure compatibility of permitted land use activities with applicable agricultural policies of the Land Use and Resource

		Management Plan Commission.	Plan of the Delta Protection
Goal-2	Support the continued capability for agricultural operations to diversify and remain flexible to meet changing market demands and crop production technology. Promote the ability for agricultural operations to change the crops or commodities produced to whatever is most economically viable at the time. Support the use of new crop production technologies that keep Delta agricultural operations competitive and economically sustainable.	Policy AG-3.12 Policy AG-3.13	Promote marketplace-initiated conversion from lower value added crops and agricultural commodities. Support farmers in diversifying their products to produce and market healthful foods, specialty ethnic foods and foods needed and desired by local consumers.
Goal-3	The priority land use of areas in the Primary Zone shall be oriented toward agriculture and open space. If agriculture is no longer appropriate, land uses that protect other beneficial uses of Delta resources and that would not adversely affect agriculture on surrounding lands or the viability or cost of levee maintenance, may be permitted. If temporarily taken out of agricultural production due to lack of adequate water supply or water quality, the land shall remain reinstatable to agriculturally-oriented uses for the future.	Policy AG-1.5	Strongly discourage the conversion of agricultural land for other uses. No lands shall be considered for re-designation from Agricultural or Open Space to another land use designation unless all of the following findings can be made: A. There is a public need or net community benefit derived from the conversion of the land that outweighs the need to protect the land for long-term agricultural use. B. There are no feasible alternative locations for the proposed project that are either designated for non-agricultural land uses or are less productive agricultural lands. C. The use would not have a significant adverse effect on existing or potential agricultural activities on surrounding lands designated Agriculture.

	Action HS-A14	Require a minimum 50-foot setback for all permanent improvements from the toe of any flood control levee.
	Action HS-A15	Restrict proposed land uses within 500 feet of the toe of any flood control levee, including but not limited to the items listed below, unless site specific engineering evidence demonstrates an alternate action that would not jeopardize public health or safety.
Policy P-1	Support and encourage agriculture in the Delta as a key element in the State's economy and in providing the food supply needed to sustain the increasing population of the State, the Nation, and the world.	<p>Delta Land Use and Resource Management. Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission.</p> <p>Delta Agriculture. Enhance agriculture in the Clarksburg area to complement the broader values of the Delta region.</p> <p>Continue to promote agriculture as the primary land use in the portion of Yolo County that lies within the Primary Zone of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.</p> <p>Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure compatibility of permitted land use activities with applicable agricultural policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission.</p>
Policy AG-6.1	Goal LU-4	Policy AG-6.3
Policy P-2	Conversion of land to non-agriculturally-oriented uses should occur first where productivity and agricultural values are lowest.	Policy AG-1.5

		A. There is a public need or net community benefit derived from the conversion of the land that outweighs the need to protect the land for long-term agricultural use. B. There are no feasible alternative locations for the proposed project that are either designated for non-agricultural land uses or are less productive agricultural lands. C. The use would not have a significant adverse effect on existing or potential agricultural activities on surrounding lands designated Agriculture.
Policy P-3	Promote recognition of the Delta as a place by educating individuals about the rich agricultural heritage, the unique recreational resources, the biological diversity, and the ongoing value of maintaining a healthy agricultural economy in the Delta.	Policy CO-4.8 Policy CO-9.19 Policy CO-4.5 Policy CO-4.9 Action CO-A17
Policy P-4	Support agricultural programs that maintain economic viability and increase agricultural income in accordance with market demands, including but not limited to wildlife-friendly farming, conservation tillage and non-tillage.	Action AG-A29

	Policy AG-2.8	Facilitate partnerships between agricultural operations and habitat conservation efforts to create mutually beneficial outcomes.
	Policy AG-2.10	Encourage habitat protection and management that does not preclude or unreasonably restrict on-site agricultural production.
	Policy AG-3.6	Promote agricultural innovation, including research and development, biotechnology, sustainable farm practices, agri-tourism and nontraditional agricultural operations in order to expand and improve business and marketing opportunities for those engaged in agriculture.
	Policy AG-3.21	Promote best management practices in agricultural operations (including animal operations) to reduce emissions, conserve energy and water, and utilize alternative energy sources.
	Policy AG-3.1	Establish an Agricultural District overlay designation to enhance and aggressively promote the distinctive agricultural and recreational character of unique regions within the County. Agricultural Districts shall be established in areas where agricultural business development and expansion (including industrial processing, commercial sales and agricultural tourism) will be encouraged through the use of targeted regulatory streamlining, financial incentives, specialized marketing efforts, and other programs as may be determined to be appropriate.
	Policy LU-3.1	Direct all of the County's residential growth to designated areas within the cities and within the growth boundaries of existing unincorporated communities, as depicted on the Land Use Diagram in Figure LU-1, with the exception of individual farm
Policy P-5	Local governments shall encourage implementation of the necessary plans and ordinances to: maximize agricultural parcel size; reduce subdivision of agricultural lands; protect agriculture and related activities; protect agricultural land from conversion to	

	<p>non-agriculturally-oriented uses. An optimum package of regulatory and incentive programs could include: (1) an urban limit line; (2) minimum parcel size consistent with local agricultural practices and needs; (3) strict subdivision regulations regarding subdivision of agricultural lands to ensure that subdivided lands will continue to contain agriculturally-oriented land uses; (4) require adequate buffers between agricultural and non-agricultural land uses particularly residential development outside but adjacent to the Primary Zone; (5) an agriculture element of the general plan; (6) a Right-to-Farm ordinance; and (7) a conservation easement program.</p>	<p>dwellings (houses allowed on agricultural land), other allowed units (e.g. second units, ancillary dwellings, houses allowed in mixed-use commercial areas, etc.) and housing allowed on existing residentially designated land.</p>
Policy AG-1.2	<p>Maintain parcel sizes outside of the community growth boundaries large enough to sustain viable agriculture and discourage conversion to non-agricultural home sites.</p>	<p>Prohibit the division of agricultural land for non-agricultural uses.</p>
Policy LU-2.1	<p>The intent of this policy is to protect existing farm operations from impacts related to the encroachment of urban uses. The expertise of the County Agricultural Commissioner shall be used in applying this policy. Urban development shall bear the primary burden of this policy. Ensure that development will not have a significant adverse effect on the economic viability or constrain the lawful practices of adjoining or nearby agricultural operations, except for land within the Sphere of Influence (SOI) around a city of within the growth boundary of an unincorporated community. New urban (non-agricultural) development should be setback a minimum of 300 feet from adjoining agricultural land where possible, but special circumstances can be considered by the decision-making body. Except as noted below where no buffer is required, in no case shall the buffer be reduced to less than 100 feet. The buffer area shall generally be designated Open Space (OS), but may also be designated Public and Quasi-Public (PQ) or Parks and Recreation (PR) based on applicable</p>	

		<p>circumstances. Agricultural buffers are not required for planned urban growth elsewhere within a growth boundary because the agricultural-urban interface will be temporary until full build-out occurs.</p>
Policy AG-1.14		<p>Preserve agricultural lands using a variety of programs, including the Williamson Act, Farmland Preservation Zones (implemented through the Williamson Act), conservation easements, an Agricultural Lands Conversion Ordinance and the Right-to-Farm Ordinance.</p>
Policy AG-1.16		<p>Encourage the coordinated acquisition of agricultural conservation easements by local, State and federal agencies and private conservation organizations with established records of responsible stewardship to protect agriculture, from willing sellers or donors.</p>
Policy AG-1.17		<p>Encourage the coordinated placement of agricultural conservation easements on land most threatened by development, particularly those lands located close to cities and unincorporated communities.</p>
Action AG-A7		<p>Amend the County's Right to Farm Ordinance to broaden the definition of protected agricultural land to include land designated as AG in the General Plan, and/or zoned agricultural in the Zoning Code. Amend the Ordinance to require more effective disclosure of the County's regulations at the time of sale of any residential or agricultural parcel in the County, including the following measures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Require recordation in the chain of title of a notice regarding potential inconveniences and discomforts of agricultural operations and practices, and rural living.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Include a “rural oath” that new residents on agriculturally designated land will sign to acknowledge that they understand the value of the “working landscape” and the consequences of living in a rural area; and accept both the potential nuisances of nearby farming and the lower levels of service available. Make other appropriate changes consistent with State law and the revised 2030 General Plan.
Policy P-6	Encourage acquisition of agricultural conservation easements from willing sellers as mitigation for projects within each county. Promote use of environmental mitigation in agricultural areas only when it is consistent and compatible with ongoing agricultural operations and when developed in appropriate locations designated on a countywide or Delta-wide habitat management plan.	<p>Policy AG-2.15 Action AG-A1</p> <p>Amend the Agricultural Mitigation Ordinance to direct agricultural mitigation to areas that promote open space connectivity and are in close proximity to existing growth boundaries for the communities and cities within the County.</p>
		<p>Policy CO-1.24 Action CO-A26</p> <p>Allow for specified areas of resource parks to be preserved, enhanced and/or restored as mitigation sites for public agencies only, consistent with the requirements of appropriate regulatory and funding agencies, provided that adequate compensation, including funding for operations and maintenance of the mitigation, is provided.</p> <p>Adopt and implement the Habitat Conservation Plan/Natural Communities Conservation Plan developed through the Yolo Natural Heritage Program. Integrate the HCP/NCCP (Natural Heritage Program) into the General Plan as appropriate. Direct habitat mitigation to strategic areas that implement the Yolo Natural Heritage Program and are consistent with the County's conservation strategy. Avoid the conversion of agricultural areas and focus on lands where</p>

		wildlife values and farming practices are complementary
Policy P-7	Encourage management of agricultural lands which maximize wildlife habitat seasonally and year-round, through techniques such as fall and winter flooding, leaving crop residue, creation of mosaic of small grains and flooded areas, wildlife friendly farming, controlling predators, controlling poaching, controlling public access, and others.	<p>Policy AG-2.8</p> <p>Facilitate partnerships between agricultural operations and habitat conservation efforts to create mutually beneficial outcomes.</p> <p>Promote wildlife-friendly farm practices, such as tail water ponds, native species/grasslands restoration in field margins, hedgerows, ditch management for riparian habitat, restoration of riparian areas in a manner consistent with ongoing water delivery systems, reduction of pesticides, incorporating winter stubble and summer fallow, etc.</p>
Policy P-8	Encourage the protection of agricultural areas, recreational resources and sensitive biological habitats, and the reclamation of those areas from the destruction caused by inundation.	<p>Policy AG-2.7</p> <p>Encourage farmers and agricultural businesses to prepare for opportunities and adversities that may result from climate change.</p>
Policy P-9	<p>Support agricultural tourism and value-added agricultural production as a means of maintaining the agricultural economy of the Delta.</p> <p>.</p>	<p>Policy AG-3.1</p> <p>Establish an Agricultural District overlay designation to enhance and aggressively promote the distinctive agricultural and recreational character of unique regions within the County. Agricultural Districts shall be established in areas where agricultural business development and expansion (including industrial processing, commercial sales and agricultural tourism) will be encouraged through the use of targeted regulatory streamlining, financial incentives, specialized marketing efforts, and other programs as may be determined to be appropriate.</p>
NATURAL RESOURCES		
Goal-1	Preserve and protect the natural resources of the Delta. Promote protection of remnants of riparian and aquatic habitat. Encourage compatibility between agricultural practices and wildlife habitat.	<p>Policy AG-2.13</p> <p>Promote wildlife-friendly farm practices, such as tail water ponds, native species/grasslands restoration in field margins, hedgerows, ditch management for riparian habitat, restoration of riparian areas in a manner consistent with ongoing water delivery systems, reduction of pesticides, incorporating winter stubble and summer fallow, etc</p>

	Policy CO-2.3	Preserve and enhance those biological communities that contribute to the county's rich biodiversity including blue oak and mixed oak woodlands, native grassland prairies, wetlands, riparian areas, aquatic habitat, agricultural lands, heritage valley oak trees, remnant valley oak groves, and roadside tree rows.
	Policy CO-2.9	Protect riparian areas to maintain and balance wildlife values.
	Policy CO-2.22	Prohibit development within a minimum of 100 feet from the top of banks for all lakes, perennial ponds, rivers, creeks, sloughs, and perennial streams. A larger setback is preferred. The setback will allow for fire and flood protection, a natural riparian corridor (or wetland vegetation), a planned recreational trail where applicable, and vegetated landscape for storm water to pass through before it enters the water body. Recreational trails and other features established in the setback should be unpaved and located along the outside of the riparian corridors whenever possible to minimize intrusions and maintain the integrity of the riparian habitat. Exceptions to this action include irrigation pumps, roads and bridges, levees, docks, public boat ramps, and similar uses, so long as these uses are sited and operated in a manner that minimizes impacts to aquatic and riparian features.
	Policy CO-2.30	Protect and enhance streams, channels, seasonal and permanent marshland, wetlands, sloughs, riparian habitat and vernal pools in land planning and community design.
	Action CO-A11	Provide recreational uses that are river or creek dependent in locations directly on Cache Creek,

			Putah Creek, and the Sacramento River. Examples include fishing, canoeing, boating, and nature observation. With the exception of boat launches and docks, more active uses, such as parking, restrooms, and picnic areas, shall be located in areas away from the river and sensitive riparian habitat.
	Action CO-A27		Protect the habitat value and biological function of oak woodlands, grasslands, riparian areas, and wetland habitats. Avoid activities that remove or degrade these habitats and establish buffers to avoid encroachment into sensitive areas.
Policy P-1		Policy AG-2.13	Promote wildlife-friendly farm practices, such as tail water ponds, native species/grasslands restoration in field margins, hedgerows, ditch management for riparian habitat, restoration of riparian areas in a manner consistent with ongoing water delivery systems, reduction of pesticides, incorporating winter stubble and summer fallow, etc
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Policy P-2	Encourage farmers to implement management practices to maximize habitat values for migratory birds and other wildlife. Appropriate incentives, such as: purchase of conservation easements from willing sellers or other actions, should be encouraged.	<p>Policy AG-2.8</p> <p>Support the use of effective mechanisms to protect farmers potentially impacted by adjoining habitat enhancement programs, such as “safe harbor” programs and providing buffers within the habitat area.</p>	<p>Facilitate partnerships between agricultural operations and habitat conservation efforts to create mutually beneficial outcomes.</p>
		<p>Policy AG-2.9</p> <p>Promote wildlife-friendly farm practices, such as tail water ponds, native species/grasslands restoration in field margins, hedgerows, ditch management for riparian habitat, restoration of riparian areas in a manner consistent with ongoing water delivery systems, reduction of pesticides, incorporating winter stubble and summer fallow, etc.</p>	<p>Policy AG-2.13</p> <p>Emphasize and encourage the use of wildlife-friendly farming practices within the County's Agricultural Districts and with private landowners, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishing native shrub hedgerows and/or tree rows along field borders. • Protecting remnant valley oak trees. • Planting tree rows along roadsides, field borders, and rural driveways. • Creating and/or maintaining berms. • Winter flooding of fields. • Restoring field margins (filter strips), ponds, and woodlands in non-farmed areas. • Using native species and grassland restoration in marginal areas. • Managing and maintaining irrigation and drainage canals to provide habitat, support native species, and serve as wildlife movement corridors.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Managing winter stubble to provide foraging habitat. • Discouraging the conversion of open ditches to underground pipes, which could adversely affect giant garter snakes and other wildlife that rely on open waters. • Widening watercourses, including the use of setback levees.
	Policy CO-2.18	<p>Coordinate with the Yolo County Natural Resource Conservation District, UC Cooperative Extension, Conservation Service, and other farm organizations to encourage farming practices and the management of private agricultural land that is supportive of wildlife habitat values.</p>
	Policy CO-2.20	<p>Encourage the use of wildlife-friendly Best Management Practices to minimize unintentional killing of wildlife, such as restricting mowing during nesting season for ground-nesting birds or draining of flooded fields before fledging of wetland species.</p>
	Policy CO-2.21	<p>Promote wildlife-friendly farming through mechanisms such as farmland trusts, conservation easements and safe harbor-type agreements.</p>
Policy P-3	Action CO-A25	<p>Develop a conservation strategy that considers the preservation and protection of intact functioning landscapes, watersheds, and landscape corridors. The approach should be based on the initial identification of high value habitat areas (core areas) and how these areas could be physically linked across the landscape. Coordinate to ensure that the basic landscape-level conservation concepts are incorporated into the HCP/NCCP.</p>

	Action CO-A26	Adopt and implement the Habitat Conservation Plan/Natural Communities Conservation Plan developed through the Yolo Natural Heritage Program. Integrate the HCP/NCCP (Natural Heritage Program) into the General Plan as appropriate. Direct habitat mitigation to strategic areas that implement the Yolo Natural Heritage Program and are consistent with the County's conservation strategy. Avoid the conversion of agricultural areas and focus on lands where wildlife values and farming practices are complementary.	Protect the habitat value and biological function of oak woodlands, grasslands, riparian areas, and wetland habitats. Avoid activities that remove or degrade these habitats and establish buffers to avoid encroachment into sensitive areas.	
	Action CO-A27		Support efforts to coordinate the removal of non-native, invasive vegetation within watersheds and replacement with native plants.	
Policy P-4	Support the non-native invasive species control measures being implemented by the California Department of Fish and Game, the California Department of Boating and Waterways, the California Emergency Management Agency, the California Department of Food and Agriculture, the State Water Resources Control Board, the Central Valley and San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Boards, and the Agricultural Commissioners for the five Delta Counties (Yolo, Solano, Sacramento, San Joaquin, and Contra Costa), which include controlling the arrival of new species into the Delta.	Policy CO-2.23 Policy CO-2.29	Promote native perennial grass habitat restoration and controlled fire management in grazing lands to reduce invasive species cover and enhance rangeland forage.	
Policy P-5	Preserve and protect the viability of agricultural areas by including an adequate financial mechanism in any planned conversion of agricultural lands to wildlife habitat for conservation purposes. The financial mechanism shall specifically offset the loss of local government and special district revenues necessary to support public services and infrastructure.	Policy CO-1.17	Out-of-county mitigation easements in Yolo County for the loss of open space, agriculture, or habitat in other jurisdictions, and flood easements in Yolo County are not acceptable unless the project meets all of the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prior notification to Yolo County; 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consistency with the goals and policies of the Yolo County General Plan, particularly as related to planned growth, infrastructure, and agricultural districts; • Secured water rights and infrastructure to economically maintain the proposed mitigation use; • Requirements that existing agricultural operations continue to be farmed for commercial gain; • Prohibitions on residential use; • Mandatory wildlife-friendly strategies and practices; • Compensation to Yolo County for all lost direct and indirect revenue; and • Accommodation of recreational uses, such as hunting, fishing, bird-watching, hiking, etc. <p>Where proposed easements meet the above criteria, no further approval is needed. Where one or more criteria are not met, discretionary approval is required.</p>	
Policy P-6	<p>Support the implementation of appropriate buffers, management plans and/or good neighbor policies (e.g., safe harbor agreements) that among other things, limit liability for incidental take associated with adjacent agricultural and recreational activities within lands converted to wildlife habitat to ensure the ongoing agricultural and recreational operations adjacent to the converted lands are not negatively affected.</p>	Policy AG-2.9
Policy P-7	<p>Incorporate, to the maximum extent feasible, suitable and appropriate wildlife protection, restoration and enhancement on publicly-owned land as part of a Delta-wide plan for habitat management.</p>	Action CO-A19

		non-profit organizations to manage such areas, where appropriate.
Policy CO-2.7	Encourage streamside property owners and appropriate public agencies to participate in fishery enhancement projects.	
Policy CO-2.8	Encourage all public land management agencies to protect, restore, and enhance the fish habitat within their jurisdiction.	
Policy CO-2.33	Create partnerships with landowners, non-government organizations, and other public agencies to implement the Yolo County Oak Woodland Conservation and Enhancement Plan.	
Policy P-8	Promote ecological, recreational and agricultural tourism in order to preserve the cultural values and economic vitality that reflect the history, natural heritage and human resources of the Delta including the establishment of National Heritage Area designations.	<p>Establish an Agricultural District overlay designation to enhance and aggressively promote the distinctive agricultural and recreational character of unique regions within the County. Agricultural Districts shall be established in areas where agricultural business development and expansion (including industrial processing, commercial sales and agri-cultural tourism) will be encouraged through the use of targeted regulatory streamlining, financial incentives, specialized marketing efforts, and other programs as may be determined to be appropriate.</p> <p>Advance the economic and cultural vitality of heritage or legacy communities in the Delta, such as Clarksburg.</p>
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Action AG-A11		Develop and implement an Economic Development Strategy that encourages agricultural/ecological tourism, viticulture operations, agricultural-industrial opportunities, and farm marketing efforts.

	Action AG-A16	Expand the role of the Agricultural Commissioner's office, to include staffed programs to promote agricultural tourism and direct marketing for the County, and establish an Agricultural Advisory Board.
	Goal ED-4	Expansion of Tourism. Provide a variety of tourism and recreational opportunities to expand the local economy in a manner consistent with Yolo County's agricultural and open space emphasis.
	Policy ED-4.4	Encourage ecotourism including boating, kayaking, canoeing, fishing, hunting, horseback riding, hiking, and bird watching.
	Action ED-A21	Create a Yolo County identity to promote local tourism and recreational opportunities and assist in attracting visitors.
	Policy CO-1.12	Create opportunities for ecotourism
	Policy CO-4.8	Explore opportunities for promoting heritage tourism, including cooperation with regional and State marketing efforts.
	Policy CO-9.14	Establish Clarksburg as a gateway entry for visitors to the Delta region seeking agricultural tourism, ecotourism, and recreational opportunities.
	Policy CO-9.19	Recognize the special character of "heritage" or "legacy" communities in the Delta (such as Clarksburg) and promote their economic vitality.
Policy P-9	Protect and restore ecosystems and adaptively manage them to minimize impacts from climate	Implement those strategies as described in the adopted Climate Action Plan to adapt to climate
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	change and other threats and support their ability to adapt in the face of stress.		change based on sound scientific understanding of the potential impacts.
Policy P-10	Ensure that design, construction, and management of any flooding program to provide seasonal wildlife and aquatic habitat on agricultural lands, duck club lands, and additional seasonal and tidal wetlands, shall incorporate "best management practices" to minimize vectors including mosquito breeding opportunities, and shall be coordinated with the local vector control districts, (each of the four vector control districts in the Delta provides specific wetland/ mosquito management criteria to landowners within their district.)	Policy CO-2.15	Encourage the use of mosquito abatement methods that are compatible with protecting fish and wildlife, including native insect pollinators.
RECREATION AND ACCESS			
Goal-1	To promote continued recreational use of the land and waters of the Delta; to ensure that needed facilities that support such uses are constructed, maintained, and supervised; to protect landowners from unauthorized recreational uses on private lands; and to maximize public funds for recreation by promoting public-private partnerships and multiple use of Delta lands.	Goal LU-4 Action CI-A3	Delta Land Use and Resource Management. Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure the compatibility of land uses and decision-making with applicable policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission. Establish a network of off-street multi-purpose trails countywide and encourage their use for commute, recreational and other trips. Update the Bicycle Transportation Plan to include: the California Delta Trail; a dedicated multi-purpose bikeway between Woodland and Davis; and other potential routes along levees, abandoned railroads, waterways, transmission right-of-ways.
		Policy CI-5.6 Policy PF-3.7	Ensure that community parks and recreational facilities have stable and self-sufficient funding resources, paid by those who derive benefit.

	Policy ED-4.11	Encourage public agencies to increase the capacities of parks, recreational areas, attractions, rest areas and other facilities that serve visitors.	
	Policy ED-A21	Create a Yolo County identity to promote local tourism and recreational opportunities and assist in attracting visitors.	
	Policy CO-1.1	Expand and enhance an integrated network of open space to support recreation, natural resources, historic and tribal resources, habitat, water management, aesthetics, and other beneficial uses.	
	Policy CO-1.3	Create a network of regional parks and open space corridors that highlight unique resources and recreational opportunities for a variety of users.	
	Action CO-A5	Clearly define boundaries between public open space and private agricultural lands through mapping, signage, fencing, and/or other appropriate means to discourage trespassing.	
	Action CO-A6	Connect the future Bay Delta Trail system, the future trail system in the lower Yolo Bypass, and the future Cache Creek Parkway system, and link those trails to the American River Bikeway system in Sacramento County.	
	Action CO-A23	Partner with the private sector and non-governmental organizations to provide services and/or maintain all or components of park facilities, wherever practical.	
Policy P-1	Ensure appropriate planning, development and funding for expansion, ongoing maintenance and supervision of existing public recreation and access areas.	Policy CO-1.1	Expand and enhance an integrated network of open space to support recreation, natural resources, historic and tribal resources, habitat, water management, aesthetics, and other beneficial uses.

	Policy CO-1.2	Develop a connected system of recreational trails to link communities and parks throughout the county.
	Policy CO-1.3	Create a network of regional parks and open space corridors that highlight unique resources and recreational opportunities for a variety of users.
	Policy CO-1.7	Support efforts by willing landowners and non-profit groups to provide new opportunities for outdoor recreation.
	Policy CO-1.11	Coordinate the development of recreation areas and public open space with regional trail planning.
	Policy CO-1.19	Support the development of a new State Park in Yolo County, with emphasis on expanding opportunities for family camping and water-related recreation, protecting new lands, and incorporating an agricultural heritage park.
	Policy CO-1.23	Increase public access and recreational uses along waterways wherever feasible, particularly Cache Creek, Lower Putah Creek, the Yolo Bypass, and the Sacramento River.
	Action CO-A11	Provide recreational uses that are river or creek dependent in locations directly on Cache Creek, Putah Creek, and the Sacramento River. Examples include fishing, canoeing, boating, and nature observation. With the exception of boat launches and docks, more active uses, such as parking, restrooms, and picnic areas, shall be located in areas away from the river and sensitive riparian habitat.

		Policy CO-9.14	Establish Clarksburg as a gateway entry for visitors to the Delta region seeking agricultural tourism, ecotourism, and recreational opportunities.
Policy P-2	Encourage expansion of existing privately-owned, water oriented recreation and access facilities that are consistent with local General Plans, zoning regulations and standards.	Policy CO-1.7	Support efforts by willing landowners and non-profit groups to provide new opportunities for outdoor recreation.
		Policy CO-1.23	Increase public access and recreational uses along waterways wherever feasible, particularly Cache Creek, Lower Putah Creek, the Yolo Bypass, and the Sacramento River.
		Action CO-A11	Provide recreational uses that are river or creek dependent in locations directly on Cache Creek, Putah Creek, and the Sacramento River. Examples include fishing, canoeing, boating, and nature observation. With the exception of boat launches and docks, more active uses, such as parking, restrooms, and picnic areas, shall be located in areas away from the river and sensitive riparian habitat.
		Policy PF-3.7	Ensure that community parks and recreational facilities have stable and self-sufficient funding resources, paid by those who derive benefit.
		Action PF-A22	Provide access for disabled populations at all community parks and recreational areas, where appropriate.
Policy P-3	Assess the need for new regional public and private recreation and access facilities to meet increasing public need, and ensure that any new facilities are prioritized, developed, maintained and supervised consistent with local, state, and federal laws and regulations. Ensure that adequate public services are provided for all existing, new, and improved recreation and access facilities.	Policy ED-4.11	Encourage public agencies to increase the capacities of parks, recreational areas, attractions, rest areas and other facilities that serve visitors.
		Policy CO-1.3	Create a network of regional parks and open space corridors that highlight unique resources and recreational opportunities for a variety of users.

	Action CO-A1	Update the Parks Master Plan as necessary to implement the goals, policies, and actions of relevant portions of the Conservation and Open Space Element.
	Action CO-A22	Maintain reasonable fee structures for the use of County parks and recreation facilities by resident and non-resident patrons.
Policy P-4	Encourage new regional recreational opportunities, such as Delta-wide trails, which take into consideration environmental, infrastructure, and law enforcement needs, and private property boundaries. Also, encourage opportunities for water, hiking, and biking trails.	<p>Policy CO-1.2 Develop a connected system of recreational trails to link communities and parks throughout the county.</p> <p>Develop “gateways” or trailheads that provide access for the public to County, State, and Federal lands. Where located on private land, gateways shall be developed working with willing landowners.</p> <p>Coordinate the development of recreation areas and public open space with regional trail planning.</p>
	Policy CO-1.11	Connect the future Bay Delta Trail system, the future trail system in the lower Yolo Bypass, and the future Cache Creek Parkway system, and link those trails to the American River Bikeway system in Sacramento County.
	Action CO-A6	Establish a network of off-street multi-purpose trails countywide and encourage their use for commute, recreational and other trips.
	Policy CI-5.6	Protect abandoned rail corridors for re-use as trails and other forms of alternative transportation.
	Policy CI-5.11	Ensure that bike paths, multi-use trails and alternative fuel vehicle routes are designed to minimize impacts to adjoining agricultural lands.
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	Policy CI-5.19	Before abandoning a County right-of-way, ensure easement rights are preserved or obtained to provide for access to public lands, natural features, or to provide connections to other existing or planned trail systems. The easement may be held by the county or other public agency.
	Action CO-A7	Prioritize the construction of multi-use trails that provide links between already established trails and bicycle routes.
	Action CO-A20	Develop and implement a system of open space corridors and trails that connects each community and city by integrating waterways, scenic areas, significant habitat areas, County parks, and other special resource areas.
	Action CI-A3	Update the Bicycle Transportation Plan to include: the California Delta Trail; a dedicated multi-purpose bikeway between Woodland and Davis; and other potential routes along levees, abandoned railroads, waterways, transmission right-of-ways.
	Policy CO-1.22	Work with concessionaires and lessees to provide recreational amenities that do not conflict with other park uses or general public access.
Policy P-5	Encourage provision of publicly funded amenities such as picnic tables and boat-in destinations in or adjacent to and complimentary to private facilities, particularly if the private facility will agree to supervise and manage such amenities, thus lowering the long-term cost to the public.	Develop "gateways" or trailheads that provide access for the public to County, State, and Federal lands. Where located on private land, gateways shall be developed working with willing landowners.
	Policy CO-1.6	Support efforts by willing landowners and non-profit groups to provide new opportunities for outdoor recreation.
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		Policy CO-1.8 Promote increased opportunities for public access to waterways and other natural areas.
	Action CO-A2.3	Partner with the private sector and non-government organizations to provide services and/or maintain all or components of park facilities, wherever practical.
Policy P-6	Support multiple uses of Delta agricultural lands, such as seasonal use for hunting and provision of wildlife habitat.	Encourage habitat protection and management that does not preclude or unreasonably restrict on-site agricultural production.
	Policy AG-2.10	Promote wildlife-friendly farm practices, such as tall water ponds, native species/grasslands restoration in field margins, hedgerows, ditch management for riparian habitat, restoration of riparian areas in a manner consistent with ongoing water delivery systems, reduction of pesticides, incorporating winter stubble and summer fallow, etc.
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	Policy AG-3.2	Allow uses that support agriculture, such as agricultural commercial uses, agricultural industrial uses, direct product sales, processing, farm-based tourism, agricultural research, and farm worker housing, on agricultural land subject to appropriate design review and development standards.
	Policy AG-3.18	Allow the location of agricultural commercial, industrial and tourism activities on land designated as Agricultural, consistent with the Land Use and Community Character Element.
	Policy ED-4.4	Encourage ecotourism including boating, kayaking, canoeing, fishing, hunting, horseback riding, hiking, and bird watching.

	Policy ED-4.14	Encourage agricultural recreation (including farm stays, dude ranches, equestrian facilities, etc) and other types of outdoor recreation.
	Policy CO-1.28	Balance the needs of agriculture with recreation, flood management, and habitat, within the Yolo Bypass.
Policy P-7	Support improved access for bank fishing along State highways, county roads, and other appropriate areas where safe and adequate parking, law enforcement, waste management and sanitation facilities, and emergency response can be provided and where proper rights-of-access have been acquired.	<p>Policy CO-1.26</p> <p>Action CO-A11</p> <p>Provide recreational uses that are river or creek dependent in locations directly on Cache Creek, Putah Creek, and the Sacramento River. Examples include fishing, canoeing, boating, and nature observation. With the exception of boat launches and docks, more active uses, such as parking, restrooms, and picnic areas, shall be located in areas away from the river and sensitive riparian habitat.</p>
Policy P-8	Ensure, for the sake of the environment and water quality, the provision of appropriate restroom, pump-out and other sanitation and waste management facilities at new and existing recreation sites, including marinas; encourage the provision of amenities including but not limited to picnic tables and boat-in destinations.	<p>Action PF-A19</p> <p>Policy ED-4.8</p> <p>Provide infrastructure (e.g., restrooms, parking, pump-out facilities, trash containers, oil waste disposal, etc.) to meet the needs of users appropriate to the type of facility.</p> <p>Support the development of critical facilities for travelers in areas that lack services, such as public restrooms, lodging, food and retail services.</p>
	Policy CO-2.22	Prohibit development within a minimum of 100 feet from the top of banks for all lakes, perennial ponds, rivers, creeks, sloughs, and perennial streams. A larger setback is preferred. The setback will allow for fire and flood protection, a natural riparian corridor (or wetland vegetation), a planned recreational trail where applicable, and vegetated landscape for storm water to pass through before it enters the water

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Policy P-9	<p>Encourage the development of funding and implementation strategies by appropriate governing bodies for the surrender and/or removal of water-borne debris and dilapidated, unseaworthy and abandoned vessels from waterways, to minimize navigational and environmental hazards.</p>	Policy P-10	<p>Promote and encourage Delta-wide communication, coordination, and collaboration on boating and waterway-related programs including but not limited to marine patrols, removal of debris and abandoned vessels, invasive species control and containment, clean and safe boating education and enforcement, maintenance of existing anchorage, mooring and berthing areas, and emergency response in the Delta.</p>	Recognizing existing laws, encourage establishment of Delta-wide law enforcement protocols on local					
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	public nuisance and safety issues, such as trespassing, littering, and theft.		mapping, signage, fencing, and/or other appropriate means to discourage trespassing.
Policy P-12	Support and encourage programs for waterways that provide opportunities for safe boating and recreation, including removal of floating and sunken debris and abandoned vessels from Delta waterways in collaboration with appropriate agencies.	Policy ED-4.4	Encourage ecotourism including boating, kayaking, canoeing, fishing, hunting, horseback riding, hiking, and bird watching.
Policy P-13	Support the development of a strategic plan, in consultation with all law enforcement agencies having jurisdiction in the Delta, to improve law enforcement and the use of available resources to ensure an adequate level of public safety. The strategic plan shall identify resources to implement the plan.	Goal PF-4 Policy PF-4.1	Enhance public safety to prevent crime and improve neighborhood relations. Ensure the provision of appropriate law enforcement service and facilities to serve existing and planned land uses.
		Policy PF-4.2	Strive to maintain an average response time of 12 minutes for 90 per-cent of priority law enforcement calls in the rural areas
		Policy PF-4.4	Incorporate law enforcement concerns into land use planning, including the following measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and mitigate potential law enforcement hazards of new development during the project review and approval process. • Work with local community groups to prevent crime. • Promote the creation of Neighborhood Watch Groups in residential areas. • Coordinate with Chambers of Commerce, business associations, and others to increase public safety within commercial areas.
		Action PF-A24	Establish special districts in other appropriate community areas to pay for law enforcement services.

WATER					
Goal-1	Protect and enhance long-term water quality in the Delta for agriculture, municipal, industrial, water-contact recreation, and fish and wildlife habitat uses, as well as other beneficial uses.	Policy CO-5.6	Improve and protect water quality for municipal, agricultural, and environmental uses.		
Policy P-1	State, federal, and local agencies shall be strongly encouraged to preserve and protect the water quality of the Delta both for in-stream purposes and for human use and consumption.	Policy CO-5.23	Support efforts to meet applicable water quality standards for all surface and groundwater resources.		
		Policy CO-5.23	Coordinate with water purveyors and water users to manage supplies to avoid long-term overdraft, water quality degradation, land subsidence and other potential problems.		
		Policy CO-5.6	Improve and protect water quality for municipal, agricultural, and environmental uses.		
		Policy CO-5.21	Encourage the use of water management strategies, biological remediation, and technology to address naturally occurring water quality problems such as boron, mercury, and arsenic.		
		Policy CO-5.22	Work with other agencies and non-profit organizations to provide educational and technical assistance programs to encourage farmers to adopt agricultural methods that improve water quality.		
		Policy CO-5.23	Support efforts to meet applicable water quality standards for all surface and groundwater resources.		
		Action CO-A78	Ensure the collection and maintenance of data on water use, water supplies, and water quality to avoid long-term overdraft, water quality degradation, land subsidence and other potential groundwater problems.		
		Action CO-A79	Work with the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board and other State and federal agencies to implement mercury total maximum daily loads		

		(TMDLs) for Cache Creek and to develop mercury TMDLs for the Delta and other Yolo County waterways where appropriate.
	Policy CO-9.7	Protect water quality in the Sacramento River, its tributaries, and groundwater aquifers from excess salinity due to decreased fresh water inflow from Delta projects.
Policy P-2	Ensure that Delta water rights and water contracts are respected and protected, including area of origin water rights and riparian water rights.	<p>Policy CO-5.13</p> <p>Vigorously protect all water rights related to lands within Yolo County, including areas of origin, riparian water rights, and other existing water rights.</p>
LEVEES		
Goal-1	Support the improvement, emergency repair, and long-term maintenance of Delta levees and channels.	<p>Policy HS-2.2</p> <p>Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure compatibility of permitted land use activities with applicable flood control and protection policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission.</p>
		Action HS-A16
		Action HS-A18

	Action HS-A19	Develop a detailed maintenance and funding plan for levees under County control, to ensure that levee safety is maintained.	
	Action HS-A20	Support and encourage responsible agencies to site new levees or major rehabilitation of levees at a distance from the river and from existing levees, where feasible. These setback levees would provide a degree of redundancy in the system, increase the land available for habitat and flood storage, reduce operation and maintenance costs, and help to ensure the integrity of the structures.	
	Action HS-A21	Private development of levees should be limited to those cases where the construction meets national levee standards, the project is in conformance with the State's comprehensive plan for flood damage reduction, and a public agency agrees to provide long-term maintenance of the levee.	
	Action HS-A22	Ensure that the upgrade, expansion, or construction of any flood control levee demonstrates that it will not adversely divert flood water or increase flooding.	
	Action HS-A23	Work cooperatively with other local agencies and interested parties to develop funding mechanisms to finance the local share of design, construction, and capital costs for repairs and improvements to flood control levees.	
	Action HS-A16	Ensure and enhance the maintenance and integrity of flood control levees.	
Goal-2	Promote levee maintenance and rehabilitation to preserve the land areas and channel configurations in the Delta as consistent with the objectives of the Act.	Policy HS-2.2	Support the efforts of levee maintenance districts with efforts to secure State and Federal funding for geotechnical studies of levees and implementation of

		associated improvements, as well as their ongoing maintenance.
Action HS-A18	Coordinate with local, State and Federal agencies to define existing and potential flood problem areas, including the possible impacts associated with global climate change, and to maintain and improve levees and other flood control features.	
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Action HS-A23	Work cooperatively with other local agencies and interested parties to develop funding mechanisms to finance the local share of design, construction, and capital costs for repairs and improvements to flood control levees.	
Policy P-1	Local governments shall carefully and prudently carry out their responsibilities to regulate new construction within flood hazard areas to protect public health, safety, and welfare. These responsibilities shall be carried out consistent with applicable regulations concerning the Delta, as well as the statutory	Manage the development review process to protect people, structures, and personal property from unreasonable risk from flooding and flood hazards.\n\nWithin the Delta Primary Zone, ensure compatibility of permitted land use activities with applicable flood
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	Policy HS-2.5	

	language contained in the Delta Protection Act of 1992. Increased flood protection shall not result in residential designations or densities beyond those allowed under zoning and general plan designations in place on January 1, 1992, for lands in the Primary Zone.	Action HS-A5	control and protection policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission.
		Action HS-A6	Require a minimum of 100-year flood protection for new construction, and strive to achieve 200-year flood protection for unincorporated communities. Where such levels of protection are not provided, require new development to adhere to the requirements of State law and the County Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance.
		Action HS-A7	Continue to require habitable structures in the 100-year floodplain to be designed and constructed so that they do not significantly contribute to cumulative flooding that could pose a hazard to surrounding landowners and/or the public.
		Action HS-A8	Yolo County shall not approve any discretionary permit, or ministerial permit, that would result in the construction of a new residence, for a project located within a flood hazard zone, unless the County can make the findings identified in Section 65962a of the Government Code.
		Action HS-A11	Locate new essential public facilities outside of flood hazard zones, including hospitals and health care facilities, emergency shelters, fire stations, emergency command centers, and emergency communications facilities. Where such location is not feasible, incorporate methods to minimize potential flood damage to the facility.
			Locate new structures outside of the floodplain, where feasible, and implement appropriate methods

			to minimize potential damage where new construction occurs within flood hazard zones.
Policy P-2	Support programs for emergency levee repairs and encourage coordination between local, State, and federal governments. The programs may include but are not limited to: interagency agreements and coordination; definition of an emergency; designation of emergency funds; emergency contracting procedures; emergency permitting procedures; and other necessary elements.	Policy LU-7.2 Policy HS-6.3	Support and participate in countywide, regional and other multiagency planning efforts related to housing, tourism, air quality, open space, green infrastructure, recreation, agriculture, habitat conservation, energy, emergency preparedness and flood protection.
Policy P-3	Support efforts to address levee encroachments that are detrimental to levee maintenance.	Action HS-A35 Action HS-A92 Action HS-A14 Action HS-A15	<p>Ensure the compatibility of permitted land use activities within the Delta Primary Zone with applicable emergency preparedness policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission.</p> <p>Develop emergency response plans and systems for floodplain evacuation and flood emergency management. Educate the public regarding these plans.</p> <p>Ensure well-organized and efficient emergency coordination between health organizations, government, and community emergency response agencies.</p> <p>Require a minimum 50-foot setback for all permanent improvements from the toe of any flood control levee.</p> <p>Restrict proposed land uses within 500 feet of the toe of any flood control levee, including but not limited to the items listed below, unless site-specific engineering evidence demonstrates an alternative action that would not jeopardize public health or safety:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prohibit permanent unlined excavations; • Large underground spaces (such as basements, cellars, swimming pools, etc) must be engineered

		<p>to withstand the uplift forces of shallow groundwater;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prohibit below-grade septic leach systems; • Engineered specifications for buried utility conduits and wiring; • Prohibit new water wells; • Prohibit new gas or oil wells; • Engineered specifications for levee penetrations; and • Require landscape root barriers within 50 feet of the toe. 	<p>Require a minimum of 100-year flood protection for new construction, and strive to achieve 200-year flood protection for unincorporated communities. Where such levels of protection are not provided, require new development to adhere to the requirements of State law and the County Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance.</p>
Policy P-4	Support funding assistance for existing unincorporated towns within the Delta to improve levees up to a 200-year flood protection level.	Action HS-A5	Coordinate with the Port of West Sacramento to facilitate dredging of the Deep Water Ship Channel, including reuse of dredged material for levee maintenance and wildlife habitat enhancement.
Policy P-5	Support stockpiling rock in the Delta for levee emergency response.	Policy CI-8.1	Encourage funding to maintain and strengthen flood capacity along the Sacramento River and Yolo Bypass, including support from beneficiaries of the State and Central Valley Water Projects, which have changed flow regimes to the detriment of levee integrity.
Policy P-6	Support a multi-year funding commitment to maintain and restore both project and non-project levees in the Delta.	Policy CO-9.5	Ensure and enhance the maintenance and integrity of flood control levees.
		Action HS-A16	Support the efforts of levee maintenance districts with efforts to secure State and federal funding for geotechnical studies of levees and implementation of

		<p>associated improvements, as well as as their ongoing maintenance. (Policy HS-2.2)</p> <p>Coordinate with local, State and Federal agencies to define existing potential flood problem areas, including the possible impacts associated with global climate change, and to maintain and improve levees and other flood control features.</p>
Action HS-A18		<p>Develop a detailed maintenance and funding plan for levees under County control, to ensure that levee safety is maintained.</p>
Action HS-A19		<p>Private development of levees should be limited to those cases where the construction meets national levee standards, the project is in conformance with the State's comprehensive plan for flood damage reduction, and a public agency agrees to provide long-term maintenance of the levee.</p>
Action HS-A21		<p>Work cooperatively with other local agencies and interested parties to develop funding mechanisms to finance the local share of design, construction, and capital costs for repairs and improvements to flood control levees.</p>
Action HS-A23		<p>Pursuant to Section 8201 of the State Water Code, develop local plans for flood protection, including analysis of financing options to construct and maintain any needed improvements, to address how 100-year floodplain protection for each community may be provided. Those communities that are economically disadvantaged and at greatest risk shall have priority in developing flood protection plans. The cities shall be consulted in development</p>

			of the plans, which shall be consistent with the Central Valley Flood Protection Plan.
Policy P-7	Encourage the beneficial reuse of dredged material, as appropriate, for levee maintenance and rehabilitation, and the maintenance of in-stream flows. Support and advocate for the Delta Long-Term Management Strategy (LTMS).	Policy CI-8.1	Coordinate with the Port of West Sacramento to facilitate dredging of the Deep Water Ship Channel, including reuse of dredged material for levee maintenance and wildlife habitat enhancement.
Policy P-8	Seek funding for and support programs to make cost-effective levee investments in order to preserve the economy and character of the Delta.	Policy CO-9.5	Encourage funding to maintain and strengthen flood capacity along the Sacramento River and Yolo Bypass, including support from beneficiaries of the State and Central Valley Water Projects, which have changed flow regimes to the detriment of levee integrity.
		Policy HS-2.2	Ensure and enhance the maintenance and integrity of flood control levees.
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Policy P-9	Support a minimum Delta-specific levee design standard as established by state and federal regulations.	Policy HS-2.2 Policy HS-2.5
Action HS-A16	Ensure and enhance the maintenance and integrity of flood control levees.	Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure compatibility of permitted land use activities with applicable flood control and protection policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission. Support the efforts of levee maintenance districts with efforts to secure State and federal funding for geotechnical studies of levees and implementation of associated improvements, as well as their ongoing maintenance. (Policy HS-2.2)

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UTILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE			
Goal-1	Ensure that the construction of new utility and infrastructure facilities is appropriate and the impacts of such new construction on the integrity of levees, wildlife, recreation, agriculture and Delta communities are avoided, minimized and mitigated.	Policy PF-11.3 Policy PF-11.4	Require utility lines to follow field edges to minimize impacts on agricultural operations. Pipelines that cross agricultural areas shall be buried at a depth that avoids conflicts with expected agricultural practices.
		Policy PF-12.5	Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure consistency of permitted land use activities with applicable public and services policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission.

Policy P-1	<p>Impacts associated with construction of transmission lines and utilities can be mitigated by locating new construction in existing utility or transportation corridors, or along property lines, and by minimizing construction impacts. Before new transmission lines are constructed, the utility should determine if an existing line has available capacity. To minimize impacts on agricultural practices, utility lines shall follow edges of fields. Pipelines in utility corridors or existing rights-of-way shall be buried to avoid adverse impacts to terrestrial wildlife. Pipelines crossing agricultural areas shall be buried deep enough to avoid conflicts with normal agricultural or construction activities. Utilities shall be designed and constructed to minimize any detrimental effect on levee integrity or maintenance, agricultural uses and wildlife within the Delta. Utilities shall consult with communities early in the planning process for the purpose of creating an appropriate buffer from residences, schools, churches, public facilities and inhabited marinas.</p>	Policy PF-11.1	<p>Encourage the development of power generating and transmission facilities in appropriate alignments and locations, sufficient to serve existing and planned land uses.</p>
Policy P-2	<p>Ensure that new houses built in the Delta's unincorporated towns continue to be served by independent potable water and wastewater treatment facilities and/or septic systems. Agricultural uses that require wastewater treatment shall provide adequate infrastructure improvements or pay to expand existing facilities, and not overburden the existing limited community resources. The appropriate governing body shall ensure that new or expanded construction of agriculturally-oriented wastewater disposal systems meet the appropriate standards/conditions and are not</p>	Policy PF-11.3	<p>Require utility lines to follow field edges to minimize impacts on agricultural operations.</p>
	<p>Pipelines that cross agricultural areas shall be buried at a depth that avoids conflicts with expected agricultural practices.</p>	Policy PF-12.5	<p>Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure consistency of permitted land use activities with applicable public and services policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission.</p>
	<p>Establish location and design criteria for siting of power plants and transmission facilities.</p>	Action PF-A70	<p>Investigate joint use of utility easements/corridors to connect open space, link trails, supplement wildlife corridors, and link habitat areas.</p>
	<p>Locate and design services and infrastructure to only serve existing and planned land uses. Actions that will induce growth beyond planned levels are prohibited.</p>	Policy LU-3.4	<p>Develop all services, parks, buffers and infrastructure within identified community growth boundaries. Mitigation lands for the loss of agricultural land and wildlife habitat are the only component of community development that are allowed to be located outside of the growth boundaries.</p>

	residentially growth inducing. Independent treatment facilities should be monitored to ensure no cumulative adverse impact to groundwater supplies.	Policy AG-1.10	Protect agricultural lands from urban encroachment by limiting the extension of urban service facilities and infrastructure, particularly sewers.
		Policy AG-3.20	Work with the Sacramento Regional Sanitation District to accept agricultural production wastewater, dry-weather discharge, winery discharge and/or septic system sludge.
		Policy PF-1.1	Require discretionary projects to demonstrate adequate long-term wastewater collection, treatment and disposal capacity, including full funding for land acquisition, facility design and construction, and long-term operations and maintenance for needed wastewater treatment and disposal facilities. Where such funding is dependent upon a community vote, approval of the project by the County shall be contingent upon a successful voting outcome.
		Policy PF-1.3	Ensure that nitrates and other pollutants of concern entering the groundwater from septic disposal systems will not significantly impair groundwater quality.
		Policy PF-1.7	Require wastewater treatment facilities that remove or destroy pathogens while minimizing or eliminating contaminated discharge.
		Action PF-A6	Review and revise septic system standards to reduce allowances for nitrate and other pollutants in groundwater.
		Action PF-A10	Septic systems within areas with groundwater pollution potential shown as yellow or red on Figure PF-2 (Groundwater Pollution Potential), must include supplemental nitrate reduction treatment and annual

		monitoring of system performance unless a groundwater test demonstrates compliance with state water requirements. Where no other feasible alternative exists, emergency repairs may allow disposal areas without supplemental treatment.	
	Action CO-A78	Ensure the collection and maintenance of data on water use, water supplies, and water quality to avoid long-term overdraft, water quality degradation, land subsidence and other potential groundwater problems.	Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure consistency of permitted land use activities with applicable public and services policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission.
Policy P-3	Ensure that new municipal sewage treatment facilities (including storage ponds) that support development or business outside of the Delta Primary Zone are not located within the Delta Primary Zone. The Rio Vista project, as described in the adopted Final Environmental Impact Report for such project, and the Ironhouse Sanitary District use of Jersey Island for disposal of treated wastewater and bio-solids are exempt from this policy.	Policy PF-12.5	Work with private solid waste handlers to expand collection and recycling services within the unincorporated area.
Policy P-4	Encourage recycling programs for metals, glass, paper, cardboard, and organic materials in order to minimize waste generation. Recycling facilities for these materials should be suitably located to serve Delta residents, visitors, and businesses. High groundwater tables and subsiding soil make the Delta an inappropriate location for solid waste disposal.	Action PF-A49	Develop new and/or expand current diversion and recycling programs for residential, commercial, office, educational, agricultural, and recreational uses.
	Action PF-A53	Evaluate the need for and economics of solid waste transfer or processing facilities located in other areas of the county. Consider the option of partnering with private waste companies for construction and operation of the additional facilities. This could support use of smaller collection trucks, and allow for	

	Maintain roads within the Delta to serve the existing agricultural uses and supporting commercial uses, recreational users, and Delta residents. Promote the maintenance and enhancement of major thoroughfares already used as cross-Delta corridors.	Policy CI-1.9	Establish road maintenance districts, where appropriate, to provide a stable source of funding for repairs and roadway improvements.	would reduce truck traffic to the landfill.
Policy P-5		Policy CO-9.10	Identify county staff liaison(s) to actively participate in and report annually on local and regional transportation planning, available funding sources for road maintenance, safety improvements, capacity expansions and coordination with Caltrans on changes to State facilities. Engage in County and regional advocacy efforts regarding federal and State transportation funding.	
		Action CI-A1	Support improvements necessary to ensure the continued transportation of agricultural products along State Route 84 for the Clarksburg region.	
		Action CI-A24	Work with SACOG to ensure that the importance of rural road maintenance and safety improvements are recognized in the Rural-Urban Connections Strategy and to secure the necessary investment in transportation funding for local farm-to-market needs and other improvements.	
Policy P-6	Allow air transportation in the Delta to continue to serve Delta residents and agriculture-related businesses. Due to subsidence, transmission lines, high winds, fog, and high raptor and waterfowl use, the Primary Zone is not an appropriate location for new or expanded general aviation airports.	Policy CI-9.1	Encourage the maintenance and use of both public- and privately-owned airports.	
		Policy HS-5.2	Encourage the use of airports for commuter travel, movement of goods, agricultural uses (e.g. crop dusting) and economic development.	
		Policy HS-5.4	Within the Delta Primary Zone, ensure compatibility of permitted land use activities with applicable airport policies of the Land Use and Resource Management Plan of the Delta Protection Commission.	

Policy P-7	<p>Encourage the provision of infrastructure for new water, recreational, and scientific research facilities.</p>	Action PF-A19	<p>Provide infrastructure (e.g., restrooms, parking, pump-out facilities, trash containers, oil waste disposal, etc.) to meet the needs of users appropriate to the type of facility.</p>
		Policy CO-1.4	<p>Provision of an appropriate level of public facilities and infrastructure shall be a priority for all County park facilities.</p>